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HONG KONG, FRIDAY, MAY 2, 1947. INLAND REVENUE BILL GOES THROUGH

Three Unofficial Members Vote Against Measure

Later: Not Murder

London, Apr. 30. The St. Pancras coroner ruled today that although a man had stabbed another with intent to kill, he did not com-- murder because it than two more for his victim to

A verdict of death by misad venture was recorded on the death of James Keenan, who was stabled in the eye in August 1944, in Glasgow

At the inquest it was ruled: "If less than one year and one day elapsed between the receiol of the jujury and the man' death, proceedings for murder would have to be taken. If a donger period elapsed, it is presumed in law that death could not have been due to the criminal net in which the injury was caused."

The assailant served a sixmonths sentence for assault .--United Press.

Imports Plan For China

worked out by the Price has never been made public. As through this Council. The of the Colony and to make it, by Premier Chang would like to repeat it: get a grip on China's dependent for its existence on close study I should have liked, bractical measures towards that economic crisis.

A. spokesman for the comassure adequate supplies of rice areas and in getting them the government would be "tackling the price problem at the roots.

Premier Chang Chun told a press conference that the price psychological fears than anything else" and contended that such fears were unfounded.

told inquiring newsmen he was a Committee for further in a place like Hong Kong as it not in a position to give in-

rency issue.

"Not Last Time Taxation London Will Be Debated"

When the inland Revenue Bill (the socalled Income Tax Bill) came up for its third reading before the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau called for a division. Only three members voted against the Bill-the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Dr. S. N. Chau and Mr. Leo d'Almada. The remaining Unofficial Members voted with the Official Members. The Bill was read a third time and now merely awaits the signature of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Mark Young, K.C.M.G.

enactment should be deferred so

date on which Income Tax will

The Objections

Although the other four Unofficial Members voted with the Government, there was throughout most of their speeches a strong sentiment that income tax in Hong Kong should be postponed for a year. In his speech winding up the debate, H.E. the Governor said that we are closing no door.'

"I do not myself suppose, and I do not think that any member of this Council can suppose, that the Legislative Council of Hong Kong is today, for the last time debating, considering and deciding what method, as well as what rate of taxation, is best suited to the needs of the Colony.... the introduction of other methods of taxation and even the modification of this method of taxation will fall to be discussed and decided for the Hong Kong of the future by its future legislature."

MR. D. F. LANDALE | examination and that its After the Financial Secretary that it does not come into had moved the second reading operation until April 1st 1948 of the Bill The Hon. Mr. D. which we understand is the F. Landale said:-

"When you referred the Draft be brought into force in Bill imposing a tax on earnings Singapore and Malaya". and profits which was published in the Gazette on March 7th to the Taxation Committee, expanded by the inclusion of all Council, the Bill was considered at one meeting only.

"At this meeting certain Unimports official members of the Council 'Administrative'. countries | submitted their views in writing | and as far as I am aware the is to the speed with which this Hong Kong is fully aware It sets out briefly my views I present Bill is barely a week as far as possible, self-support-

its transit trade and to survive "We are told the Colony end. But to command, to ensure it is necessary for it to be in a needs further revenue to meet, that support, it must position to provide cheap ser- inter alia, an as yet undisclosed demonstrated that any such mittee said these imports would vices. While we agree in prin- liability to the Imperial Govern- revenue-producing measures are, ciple that direct taxation should | ment. I submit, Sir, that if | indeed, practical. All sections in the Shanghai and Nanking be imposed it is, in our view, this Council and the Colony imperative that the standard knew precisely what that rate should be low and that it limbility was, and accepted it, should not exceed 10 per cent. this method of raising revenue We consider, however, that the to meet it would have been more situation was caused "more by Bill which has recently been palatable than it seems to be. published requires much more It was primarily for this reason detailed examination than has that I advocated a delay until that Government is determined so far been possible. Our own April 1st 1948 before bringing He said that the Price Con- business interests make heavy this measure into operation. trol Committee had drawn up demands on our time and we do "As to my objections that fall plans to combat inflation but not feel that we will be able to under the second head, 'Adhe did not disclose their nature, give the Bill the extensive study ministrative', those are more

The new director of informa- it requires in time for it to be fundamental. I have, on pretion, Hollington K. Tong, said introduced during the present vious occasions, expressed the he hoped to be able to outline financial year. It is our con- view that I doubted whether these plans at his press con-sidered opinion, therefore, that direct taxation could be applied ference next Wednesday but the Bill should be referred to with the same degree of equity

formation on the nation's cur- boosted their sale price from CN\$1,000 to CN\$2,000 a copy Meanwhile Shanghai's Eng. or 16.66 cents United States lish language papers today currency.-Associated Press.

QUIS CUSTODIET?

Hamburg! Apr. 30. __A_British_Control_Commits. nian officer named John Stephnen wan nenteneed to tuelve months' imprisonment Inday by the Control Commission High Court at Lanchurg for the theft of clothing, coal and eigarctics intended for displaced pernona in an UNRRA camp. The goods have been recovered and handed to UNRRA .--Reuler.

Seldom has a Bill met with that the Chinese community as | leader for an armed raid. a whole is opposed to such a Bill. Your Excellency admitted in your speech last week that Government realises that there are many people in this Colony who are opposed to the measure "These, Sir, are still my views and my objections to the present now before us solely because Unofficial, members of this Bill fall broadly under two they feel that it is not the best heads. The first, for the want or most appropriate form of a better name, I will call taxation for Hong Kong. 'Constitutional' and the second Government, you told us, is of the contrary opinion.

"As to the first, my objection | The Chinese community old and I must admit I have ing. The Chinese community "Hong Kong is a free port not been able to give it the will give its full support to any of the Chinese community are united in their belief that such an epithet cannot be applied to He delivered a short speech in the Inland Revenue Bill.

Profits Tax Opposed

As it has been made obvious to force the Bill through, no matter what the arguments in conditions of persistent raised against it are, the Chinese community is nowvery reluctantly-prepared accept three of the four taxes fillment of the tasks set by contained in the Bill-namely, Comrade Stalin to the Army, the tax on properties, the tax the Air Force and the Fleet." on salaries and the tax on in- He said it was necessary for terest. But the Chinese com- the Soviet armies and fleets to munity is still strongly opposed achieve new successes in perto the fourth tax-the tax on feeting their military and polibusiness profits. I have said be- tical knowledge." -United Press. still have these doubts, and fore, in addressing this Counmutable factors. The first is cil on the subject of income the complexities of Chinese tax, that the introduction of businesses and the multiplicity such a tax in a predominantly of names for me Chinese Chinese community is bound to individual, and the second is be a failure. Apart from the the danger of malpractices that difficulties of obtaining ac are inherent in a measure of curate figures on which to base this sort. I will not claborate such a tax, there is the great capitalistic exploitation of the anall depression to the W of the Lowon these two factors, but they barrier thrown up by tradition.

Both the Chinese and the The degree of importance British, more than any other that can be attached to these peoples in the world, are guided Administrative objections varies, in their every-day lives by of course with individual views. tradition. One cannot overcome tions. The Leftists are planning In my opinion they stand high that tradition, and alter the work stoppages in Athens. but as yet not high enough for complete psychological concept The day will be a legal holl- Yenterday's Temperaturesme to oppose the principle that of a people, by the mere passing day for the first time in Beldirect taxation should be tried of a Bill. I submit that any glum and Norway. through the medium of this attempt to pierce the traditional. The British advised Germans sider the Hill as now re-drafted profits will mean such an in-Mr. Jinnah said that if will have any prejudicial effects fringement. It will fail, not beto live under Moslem rule, they stand or fall on Government's cause it will be an attempt to economically and incorruptably. Chinese business procedure

Missing

Manhunt

London, Apr. 30. Scotland Yard is combing London's under world today for three gangsters who raided a jeweller's shop in the West End yesterday afternoon and killed a man trying to prevent their

escape. ---The police took the unusual course today of appealing to the underworld in London to comé forward and tell what

they know about these gunmen. There has been an increasing number of hold-ups in London recently and it is believed that several well-armed gangs are operating in the heart of Lon-

One suggestion current here today is that the latest outrage was committed by men ters form the bulk of these such strong reaction from all who belong to a "guns-for- gangs, 'sections of the community, both | hire" gang of about 20 des-Chinese and non-Chinese. It has perate individuals who are al-It is believed that army deser- | Repter.



The above photograph is that of Louil Scott Glendinning, aged 35, a native of Australia, who has been missing from his hotel in Hong Kong aince March 18, 1947. Any person having knowledge of his whereabouts is requested to inform the police at any police station,

Detectives, meanwhile, were today visiting hight clubs and been made more than obvious ways ready to be hired by a lodging houses and loiterers in that government expenditures the street were questioned.

World Celebrates May Day

London, May 1. Generalissimo Josef Stalin today was greeted with deafening cheers from hundreds of thousands jamming Moscow's Red Square when he appeared to review the great May Day parade featuring displays of troops, tanks and artil-

a.m., Moscow radio said, and conment's labour policy, strode to the gaily coloured The meeting ended with the rency was highly complicated stocks in Shanghai to begin to the cheering crowd and gave presentation of prizes to labour

l a military solute. and mounted the mausoleum. which he said:

Soviet Union stand guard over Day.—Reuter. our frontiers and over the State interests of our country. The armed forces of our country celebrate the May Day holiday struggle for raising the quality of their fighting and political to preparedness for successful ful-

In Britain

London, May, 1. Britain's National Council of abour issued a manifesto calling on workers everywhere to fight forces of reaction aiming at imperialistic domination and poned the May Day celebration to Sunday, when Premier Cle- the 8 of the Carolines.

ment Attice will speak. Greeco banned demonstra-

Shanghai Parade / Shanghal, May, 1.

Demands for fair living Rel. Bumidity 08 wages were among the slogans | Dow Point, 74 72 deg. P. Wind Direction ... E by N shouted by thousands of la Wind Perce bourers as they drove through rain-drenched atrects here today in gally decorated trucks in celebration of International La-

The parade followed a mass Tho Chinese community, meching at the Race Course therefore, wishes to street its where it is testimated that Page Nine the British left india in June.
The Hon Mr. T. N. Chau opposition to such a tax. As an 60,000 workers, representing Charge 1948 and said the two states and As a representative of allernative they suit-forward 200 labour organisations, stood Page Ten the Chinese community is had be absolutely free in the Chinese community is had be absolutely free in the Chinese community is had be absolutely free in the Chinese community is had been absolutely free in the Chinese community in the Chinese community is had been absolutely free in the Chinese community in the Chinese community is had been absolutely free in the Chinese community in the Chinese community is had been absolutely free in the Chinese community in the Chinese community is had been absolutely free in the Chinese community in the Chinese community is had been absolutely free in the Chinese community in the chinese community is had been absolutely free in the Chinese community in the Chinese community is had been abs

Stalin arrived shortly after 7 | Chung-kang, explain the Gov- currency, but Premier Chang conference and, reportedly

mausoleum followed by a num- singing by the entire gathering and must be closely studied. He ber of his advisors. He turned of the National Anthem and agreed, however, that the prebodies which rendered produc-Marshal Semeon Budenny tive and meritorious services to rode into the Square on a horse the nation during the war of

All factories, restaurants and other businesses were closed "The armed forces of the today in observance of Labour

In Tokyo Tokyo, May 1. 300:000 Between

500,000 Japanese workers are returning peacefully to their homes tonight after staging their second and most orderly May Day celebration. In contrast with last year's observance of the traditional holiday today's was almost

Speakers at the rally held in the Imperial Palace plaza harped on the labour front and improvements for the workers

themselves.—Associated Press.

The Weather

working people. London post- choos is moving eastward. The depression to the NE of Japan continues to move eastward. Pressure is talso low to

> Today's Forecast t-Moderate essterly coastal mist or fug; visibility, moderate,

> Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1-

Roadings at Baro, at mal. ... 1014.4 1011.8 mb.

Fortune-Tellers on

CHANG CHUN ON THE CRISIS

Nanking, May, 1. Premier Chang Chun announced today that the Chinese Government is now studying and drawing up reconstruction projects for sub-mission to the United States Government for

approval of the \$500,000,000 loan, the deadline for which is expiring on June 30.

Making the first report to the Legislative Yuan since his inauguration as President of the Executive Yuan, Gen. Chang

Chun said there was no escape from economic troubles as long as political problems were un-He voiced the hope that the present military measures the

government is "compelled to adopt" against the Communists will, come to an early end to allow political settlement of internal political issues and to facilitate enforcement of the constitution due for Sec: 25, Premier Chang promised

stricter implementation of the emergency economic measures promulgated last February, explaining the emergency regulations were "not the funda- emphatically denied that the mental cure" of China's econo- Chinese government is seeking mie ills, but conceded these re- n loan abroad and deplored the gulations curbed the economic concept that China's economic crisis last February. Declaring that the responsi- without foreign aid.

bility and obstacles facing the Executive Yuan were of a vast magnitude, Premier Chang ask- that China-known for its vast ed the legislators 'for support resources-should find its own and cooperation to tackle press- means to remedy the situation. ing national problems.

The new Premier stressed must be cut down to balance the budget and production increased to strengthen the national economy. He said the resolutions passed by the recent plenary session of the Kuomintang's Central Executive Committee were the best approach to the economic chaos.

Gen. Chang assured the Executive Yuan he vill adhere strictly to the multi-party administration programme and to carry out the decisions of the newly reorganised State-Coun-

One legislator suggested the ed to push down the price. proposed United States loan Mayor K. C. Wu this mornbe used as a reserve for a new ing called rice dealers into a said that question of a new cur- threatened to confiscate all rice sent inflated currency must be "readjusted."—United Press.

· No Loan? Nanking, Apr. 30. Premier Chang Chun today Washington,-Reuter.

NEW CARRIER FOR FAR EAST

Colonibo, May 1. Britain's latest type of light fleet carrier, Theseus, 17,720 tons, arrived in Colembe harbour today with the destroyer Constance in attendance.

Theseus, which, will be serging in the British East Indica station and Far East, is leaving for Trincomatee in two days.

Heralding the arrival of Theseus, a flight of 20 planes from the carrier flew over Colombo this morning .-- Reu-

chaos could not be remedied

Speaking at a press reception late on Wednesday Chang said He stressed that he is working on an administrative efficiency balancing budget.-Unit-

Rice Soars

· Shanghai, May 1. The price of black market rice today soared to CN\$260,000 per picul (50 kilograms)double the early April priceas the hard-hit working class observed May Day Even at the black market

rice shops sell only clandestinely to old customers. The City Government daily is dumping large quantities of rice of inferior quality but this fail-

price rice was hard to get as

rationing.—United Press.

Paris, Apr. 30. The Italian financial and commercial delegation left Paris today for London on its way to

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Freedom Of Speech In India

New Delhi, Apr. 30. The Constitutional Assembly today approved clauses in the proposed Indian Union constitution guaranteeing equality of opportunity and freedom of speech and press for all citizens. It also adopted a clause forbillding the new Indian

Union to grant titles and barring citizens from accepting titles from foreign states. The Home Minister, -Val- and Punjab, "all the other pro- amended Bill. I regard it as privacy of the laner counter is in their zone to be discrect.labhbhal Patel, said the clause vinces will have to be cut up an experiment. I do not con- bound to fall-and a tax on Associated Press. would not affect such popular in a similar way."

titles as Mahatma for Mohan. das K. Gandhi and Quadeakam Hindus in the two Moslem ma- on the economic well-being of cause of any deliberate attempt for the Moslem leader, Moham- jority provinces did not wish the Colony but the measure will at tax evasion, but simply bemed, Ali Jinnah. The Vicercy, Viscount Mount: would be at liberty to migrate ability to administer it equitably, break down a tradition

batton, returned to New Delhi to Hindu provinces. today from a two-day tour of the frontier. Lady Mountbatt ton remained in the north to of populations will have to take in the forefront of the movetour some of the riot-damaged place, Mr. Jinnah said.

Army be divided into Hindus-Hri tan and Pakistan armies before

It they fall I, if I am still a which has been a fundamental "Sooper or later, an exchange member of this Council, will be element for centuries. ment for its repeal."

is in the United Kingdom.

they are based on two

are interrelated.

Business Licence

(Continued rom Page 1)

than to point out that assess-

even easier one-quite apart

would be almost impossible.

stand that a similar Bill

a year. I see no reason why

Hong Kong cannot follow suit.

MR. M. K. LO

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo said :-

"In introducing this Bill at the

mark that it would be idle

pretend that there had not been

a great deal of opposition to this

House Merchants' Association, the

Kong Sen Products Merchants'

Your Excellency last week. -

In Favour

ernment has taken into its con-

"You, Sir, have stated that Gov-

out containing any new argu-

n ents, was sent in to Government

due length-my views and post-

dress to this Council at a meet-

ing held on October 12th, 1939,

troduction of an income tax for

Complex Measure

"As the result of the recom-

Colony.

be ten per cent.

bor 3rd., 1939.

regard to this matter.

Dealers Guild, Hong

from the fact that

Before concluding,

Speeches Unofficials'

May 2_C.B.A. Reunion Dance. Peninsula Hotel 9 p.m. May 5.H.K. Singers, first rehearsal of "The Messiah,"

Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m. May 7-Green Is. Cement Co., Ltd. amual and extraordinary Exchange meelings.

Coming

May 7-Dinner To Sir Mark and Lady Young, H.K. Hotel, 8 p.m. May 9-Canton Ins. Office, Ltd., annual meeting, noon.

Cocktail," ICC, 9 p.m. May 17-China Emporium . extraordinary meeting, 3 p.m. Ltd. Annual Meeting, Dodwell's

May 31-China Emporium annual meeting, 3 p.m.

Office, 11 a.m.

May 10-Sixth Extra Race Meet-May 16 and 17-"Shamshuipe May 21-Union, Waterboat Co.,

get speech of only a few days ago the Chancellor of the Exchequor stated that the reimposition was an attractive proposition, and that "though it would unite against it strong

venue from this new tax. Painless Method I am convinced that most

members of this Council, and the public, both Chinese and non-Chinese, would welcome ex-The taxpayers are entitled to perimenting with this painless nive some say, as they are in method of raising revenue, England, not only in the im- which would yield substantial position of the tax, but in the funds for our social services expenditure of the money, and even if the income tax project

In conclusion, I must impress tion" has long been accepted tees appointed by the Govern- determined to pass the Bill. Nevertheless, I sincerely hope Adam Smith, the great that, in this particular case at tax that those who are called economist, said that the ideal least, Government will heed the

MR. M. M. WATSON The Hon. Mr. M. M. Watson

"On this very important and controversial measure I feel the importance of making my positionquite clear, not only in accordance with my duty to this Council but also to the Unbilicial Justices of

the Peace who paid me the honour "In the course of one of the earlier meetings of the Unofficial Members of this Council the principle embodied in this Bill! was accepted, but for various reasons some of the members were not "I think that I can also safely

with whom I have discussed this ciple being sound if it can be

on all sides, but by the majority

"The question is, therefore, in tions of the community that the equitably is more than a question of imagination and it is essential function from the beginning. this is not so, such fears will, am convinced, prove only too well

"That there will be evasion no bulk of the Chinese community one will deny; it is a question of here, fully realise that Hong keeping it within bounds and the Kong must find additional 're- relative merits of other forms of

Other Methods

"In connection with such other Gibraltar is another example, most of the suggestions that have

urgent housing programme the appear to have been well ventilatcost of which during the next cd. The three most persistent suggestions have been, I think, import duties, purchase tax and thorised the institution of a scens to have died out as being and Government Lottery which is contrary to all hitherto recognised

but thought it undesirable that prominently- advocated. Whather such a measure should be intro- such taxes could bring in any to-

details involved in the imposition of such a fee could be worked out quite simply and not require a deep knowledge of Chinese account Revenue Ordinance No. 13 of

tancy. I need not deal with it 1940. further at this moment, other. simple matter and collection an evasion like to say that, as I under-Malaya has been postponed for why, in my view, the Income Tax Bili, even with a standard rate o' ten per cent, was not acceptable, whereas the War Revenue Ordinance No. 13 of 1940 received the unanimous support of the.Unloss meeting of this Council, the

Hon, the Financial Secretary commenced his address with the re-I had made some personal contribution, I ventured the following remarks when I addressed this Bill. The extent and representa-Council on March 14th, 1940:tive character of this opposition "On December 4th, 1939 Mr. on the part of the Chinese com-Coinc, in view of his pending demunity is indicated by the fact parture, wrote to each member of *5 that representations were trans-Committee a letter mitted to, or received direct by, Government from the Kowloon Committee as representing what Chamber of Commerce, Chinese Chinese Manufacturers Union. Rowleon Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Hong Kong and Kowleon draft Report the following ob-Chinese Restaurant and Eating

servation occurred,-1940 Ordinance

tion, Po Yick Merchants' Associa- by the same incidence as the pro- income tax legislation,

several petitions signed by ap. on bases and at rates calculated on the pre-war legislation. proximately 100 organisations to impose very broadly the same and associations in Hong Kong degree of sacrifice on the several was an overwhelming desire on and Kowleon were sent in to Gov- classes of persons affected. Such | the part of the community that ernment; and that a delegation a combination of taxes would the Colony should assume its of the Executive Committee of constitute a partial income tax, share of the financial burden of the Hong Kong and Kowloon covering much the greater part the war effort. But this Council, Chinese Anti-Direct Tax Intro- of the income which would be in 1940, was absolutely unfetterduction Committee waited upon liable to a full income tax but ed, not only in theory but in fact, aderation, all the representations that have been made. I underis apprehended from the administicate had categorically stated. stand that another petition sign. tration of income tax should be ed or chopped by thousands of

avoided.*** firms but, as far as I know, with-"It was of course realised that Ordinance No. 13 of 1940 might have to be amended from time yesterday. Today, en the Second - Reading of this Bill, it will be my to time to cure such defects or duty to vote in accordance with anomalies as might be disclosed by actual experience, and it was rry two considered opinion on its in fact amended by Ordinances Nos. 21 and 29 of 1940, and was "I am in favour of this Bill repealed and re-enacted with and shall vote accordingly. But amendments by Ordinance No. 13

out of deference to all the represontations to which I have re-"On the whole it can be said that the 1940 Ordinance worked of raising the war revenue re- a place. ferred, and in discharge of my well and smoothly. Estimated to quired, which was acceptable to duty to this Council, I propose to yield 6 million each year it actual- all the members of this Council ment and social security, and the set out fully-I hope not at unly produced 9 million for 1940- in 1940, was that prescribed by reliance upon taxation based on 41, or 50 per cent. more than the Ordinance No. 13 of 1940, on capacity to pay, represent a prooriginal estimate, and the cost of which the present Bill in its fun- cess which, clearly observable for as potential importance to this "His Excellency Sir Geoffry Northcote, in his presidential ad-

amount collected. Still In Force

"Section 73 of Ordinance No. 13 fcreshadowed the immediate in- of 1941 provides:

"No tux shall be collectable in then Financial Secretary, the Hon. subsequent to the year of assessadoption of the 1940-41 Estimates, gan on the 3rd September, 1939 last week. indicated that the standard rate is terminated."

of the proposed income tax would | According to Government this "Then came the Budget De- force and will remain in force bates of November 9 and 16, 1939, until a Peace Treaty has actually in the course of which unanimous been signed, or of course until it Sir Geoffry Northcote, in the upon the future, I do not view objections to the income tax pro- has been repealed.

"It was in these circumstances, cil on the 16th November, 1939 | We could not stop it if we wishposals were voiced by all the Unwhich I might describe as the were a significant warning. May ed; no one can stop it. Like the "In the meantime, the Income historical background, that I ac- I quote these observations:-Tax Bill had been referred to cepted the invitation to serve as the Income Tax Committee, of a member of the new Taxation which'I was a member, and which Committee appointed by Your held its first meeting on Novem- Excellency on the 3rd September, 1946, with terms of reference

which include:-(ii)(c) Whether, and if mendations of this Committee the so by what date, it will be ex

original income tax proposals redient to replace the taxation as inopportune; I have made of a letter addressed to Your Ex- unless Government can give the ago that their social structure were dropped, and in lieu there- now authorized by the War Re- them because I hope that the day cellency. of a Bill was introduced in this come Ordinance by the introduc- may come when I shall Council, which became the War tion of an Income Tax.

matter, from the time of the Re. the imposition, or reimposition, of that this is not an opportune time. "In the Budget Debates above pert of this Committee to the mentioned, I made it clear that publication of the Bill now before sure, in order that we may bement would be a comparatively my main objection was that, for this Council, embodying all the gin to tackle in practical earnest rushing the Bill through now a place like Hong Kong, with its recommendations of the latest those social problems. But that seems to me to savour very much chief characteristics as an entre- Cemmittee appointed by Your Ex- is looking some way ahead of forestalling any opposition pot, and with a transitory popu cellency, was fully set out by the Litica, any measure of the com- Hon, the Financial Secretary when plenity and intricacy inherent in he spoke in support of the First income tax legislation, cannot be Reading of this Bill last week. I equitably administered in the Co- need only add that to the reports lony, at all events for many years of the various Committee detailed after its introduction. That was by him I was an assenting party.

An Improvement "I have ventured to recall these facts, not by way of apologia for the part I have taken throughout this direct taxation controversy, but because I believe these facts are relevant in considering the "As regards the proposals em- Bill now before Council.

bedied in this Ordinance to which | "In view of the Hon. the Financial Secretary's able analysis of the differences between this Bill and the 1940 Ordinance, I need not take up any further time of this Council in discussing such differences, which are all in favour of the tax-payer. Indeed, the only fundamental difference closing a draft Report of the between this Bill and the prewar legislation is contained in he heped the Committee would Chapter VII, under which anyone be prepared to agree to, rather liable to tax is entitled to cleck than what had already so far to be personally assessed, with been agreed. In the course of his the consequential rights to personal allowances.

"I submit that the provisions of this Bill, drafted in the spirit "The best alternative means of of the 1939 Ordirance-namely, Association, Hong Kong and South imposing taxation of approximate. the production of a relatively China Paper Merchants' Associa- by the same degree of sever- simple measure freed of many Yew District Associa- ity and having approximate- complications inherent in a full Chinese bankers, the posed income Tax appears to be fundamental essentials of a low Hong Kong Property Owners' As. a combination of taxes assessed rate, and without any provisions sociation and the Hong Kong and on property, on salaries and which would harm the economy Kowloon Chinese Anti-Direct Tax- analogous incomes and on bust- of the Colony as an entrepot-Committee; that ness profits made in the Colony are a substantial improvement

"It is true that in 1939 there freed of many complications ow- in regard to the means by which ing to its being partial in scope the requisite war revenue, a sub. like to have is that of the Colony and only approximately adjusted stantial amount of which was to to individual ability to pay. In be devoted as a free gift to H.M. sound education, will assume proparticular much of the enquiry Government, was to be found. into personal circumstances which | His Excellency Sir Geoffry North-

Crucial Question

use of the official majority in equitably distributed amongst all. this Council: no such thought In any such picture direct taxahas ever entered my mind."

me as a surprise. To me certain 1940, I would say this:--observations of His Excellency "For my own part, looking out

course of his address to this Coun- the process with any misgivings. Sir Geoffry's Warning

"Lastly, in order that I should benignant, to broader lands and be completely frank on the sub- botter days." ject, I admit my belief that the peace-time—I repeat, peace-time MR. LEO D'ALMADA -revenue of this Colony should conic from an Income Tax. Trivial. arguments can be ranged against said: its equitability in a community "I vote against this Bill and ones escape, from sheer inabili- any rate, of his parents. composed of different races with my reason for so doing are these, ty to cope with the numbers. brothers and sisters, and even different standards of living: but that whereas I approve of the Complaints of Inequitable that of hephows, and nieces these arguments have little weight right of taxation in principle, I tion would then be unanswerwhen opposed to the undertable feel, as I felt at the private meet able. basic equity of a tax which is ing of unofficial members of this "I wish to take this oppor- western lines could adequately lay. The Governor of Gibral- icas to have sufficient knowledge assessed in accordance with Council sometime ago, that this t ability to pay, More than one Un- is not the proper, time for its official Member has reminded, me introduction. during the Debate of the short- My reasons for feeling then comings of this Colony's Adminis as now, are two: The first is betration. I fully, though with deep cause due allowance should be regret, agree that in primary made for citizens and firms in education; in facilities for sick Hong Kong to rehabilitate thempoor and sick children, in housing selves after a period of four years of the poorer classes, in fown during which nothing was earnplanning and in other respects the ed and inreads made in many

side cvor a meeting of this "The subsequent history of this Council with a bill before it for Income Tax as a peacetime mea- The Colony is on the threshold of year.

> .Must Go On "It is but inevitable that the discussion of Direct Taxation should be linked with the ques-

tion of Constitutional Reform, I

have no doubt the consciousness Impending constitutional changes is present in the minds of all who are taking part in this Debate today. But the process of government must go on in the go on. meantime, and this Council must centinue to function in accordance with its constitution for the time

being. to the various concessions em- not be put off. Then by all means bodied in the Bill, the original let us do it. the actual revenue will exceed ment in office in England attempt. taxation. the actual expenditure without ing in the eleventh month of the surplus of revenue over expenditure in respect of the current year, however large and wel- vote against the Bill. Against the the principle that, though only come, can possibly be too large Bill itself I have no comments to sixteen million dollars are refor the purpose of rehabilitating make. the Colony's finances, creating a prudent reserve, and financing the manifold calls for social ser-

"I adhere to the view-I held before the war that whilst a complicated Income Tax law is not suitable to the Colony, a simplifled form of direct taxation along the lines of this Bill can fairly and equitably be administered, and that the efficiency of its administration should improve with

The Future "It is not a bad thing for one occasionally to see visions and to dream dreams. One of these visions and dreams which I would in which its people, aided by measure, the responsibility of "What Government has in care, universal education, old age! contemplation is a free gift to pension, unemployment insuran unwilling community by the and for these services will be

tion, based however approximate-"In point of fact the method by on ability to pay, must occupy "The demand for social bettertroduction of a direct tax in peace his speech delivered to the House will be better achieved by the tenance of those groups, and cial schemes to support Govern-

Mississippi, it just keeps rolling along. Let it roll. Let it rell on full flood, inexorable, irresistible,

"My second reason for voting against the Bill is on the ground postponement of introduction come Tax, and to apply this

a new form of government, and which may develop from a new government in Hong Kong. "I am not in agreement with certain remarks of the provious speaker (Mr. M. K. Lo), if I understood him correctly. He sug-

Not Opportune

do get constitutional reform and a new form of government for Hong Keng, the work of the present Legislative Council should "I agree with him in so far as it reinted to work necessary for running the Colony at the mo-

rested that whether or not we

ment which is imperative that "It may be that, having regard this Council should do and can-

sult of representations to include taxation structure can be inallowances free from tax for a creased, with hardly any limitafifth child and subsequent chil- tion. dren. The fact that the Taxation Committee appointed to consider the Bill should have seen fit to recommend that in these cases the allowance be only \$200 a child is, think, to characterise this amendment as a ludicrous and which is calculated to give offence rather than satisfaction."

position clear at the annual stances now obtaining in Hong which should keen the citizens

"I have already made my expenditure. In the circum- lectors or sheaves of tax blanks meeting of the Chamber of Kong there is no popular red distracted from their pursuits said:gressively and in ever increasing Commerce with regard to the presentation on the Western of earning a living. The tax Bill now before the Council. basis, and it cannot be said by should be levied with a miniself-government; in which social Therefore it will not be neces- any stretch of imagination that mum of interference with free services, like adequate hospitali- pary for me to address Honour- the population would have any enterprise and the normal chb sation, medical and sanatorium able Members at any length in say in the imposition of the, and flow of economic tides. this débate.

"A measure of this kind can- troi of its expenditure. True, H.M. Government while en ance, workmen's compensation, not be applied with perfect we have been promised some gaged in a life and death strug- etc., etc., will gradually become equity to the circumstances of measure of self-government, gle; it would be utterly illogi- available to its citizens, and in every tax-payer, but I am of but it is still in the embryonic cal, to say the least of it, to de- which the burden of providing opinion that the amendments stage. The tax during the first scribe as free a gift wrung from for the expense of Government made since it was first publish- year may be limited to 10%, but ed remove most of the objec- nothing that the taxpayers can tions - which have been expresssay will prevent this rate be-

"One alternative suggested is Government. a Business Licence registration fee. This, as Your Excellency knows, was considered by the dominantly . identical Taxation Committee and of profits will pay nothing.

Strong Case For Postponement "I confess to misglvings as to

whether the Government has an adequate staff to operate the present Bill in the current financial year. If the Depart is overwhelmed with work, the tendency will be to collect from the obvious, ensity well to do he is looked to The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada reached tax-payers and let a large measure to provide for great number of the smaller the financial needs, in part

one section of the community is wealthiest niember of a Chinese Tax, indicated that such a step "The suggestion of a purchase must be seriously considered, tax or a tax on luxuries has been but thought it undesirable that another in the matter of making returns for the purpose of taxation. But it has to be re- One of the worst con- ducod until discussion was pos- venue comparable to that on the membered that many here are sequences of Income Tax is the sible by the elected representabasis of the present Bill is to me unaccustomed to this method of demoralising tendency to pro- tives of the people. raising revenue. Chinese ac- inote evasion. In a Chinese so- What is not considered ex- in that it would be countil will cause the Depart clerk evasion does not arise pedient for Gibraltar can hard-catch the man with money provision made by this Colony is gravely lacking. I do not attempt to disquise from myself the fact that in order to cure that committee in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lacking the fact in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the lack in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the abort period since the contrary to raise a grave lack in the lack period in the contrary in the cont

Council full assurance as to and Parliamentary representaadequacy of staff, there is, in tion has advanced sufficiently to my opinion, a strong case for justify the imposition of Inof the measure for another

DR. S. N. CHAU

The Hon. Dr. S. N. Chau sald: Without going into all the details embodied in the Draft Bill. I crave the indulgence of Your Excellency and this kind can only be fairly immy honourable colleagues for stating at some length the ren- presentatives of the people on It has been advanced as an that these representatives have argument in favour of an in- full facilities in gauging the come tax that in addition to amount of money required and the need of raising revenue to in applying its expenditure. In meet the Colony's commitments, the case of Hong Kong at preof taxation. I do not question what the requirements are the necessity for raising the they are simply told that parent to us all. Indeed, the country, but they do not know and varied resistance . ranging public is most willing to pay, to what extent or in what res- from bookmakers to Bishops,' estimated yield of 16 million may But to pass a measure such but what it does object to, and pect, and they are in a state he would advise the Committee not in fact be attained. On the as this now can only be likened objects most strongly and of comparative ignorance, on to face even this powerful comother hand, it may well be that to the present Labour Govern- strenuously, is the method of which Government does not en- bination if it seemed likely that

the yield from this Tax. Either fifth year of its term to folst upon raise sixteen million dollars, to its plans for the rehabilitaalternative is of course possible. the nation, for example, nationali- there are plenty of other alter- tion or for the expenditure of But both must remain in the re- sation of the motor-car industry- natives whereby the money the money to be collected. gion of surmise until next year. n matter not crying for such ur- could be raised without those is asking for-a blank cheque. But what is certain is that no gency as its tacking by the Gov- features to which objections ernment about to go out of office. have been raised. It seems "These are the reasons why I | that this tax is introduced on quired this year, the founda-"I see it is proposed as a re- tion must be laid on which the

Product Of West

ns a principle of the constitu- ment. MR. R. D. GILLESPIE tion. It is a condition of the upon to pay it should have an tax stibuld be collectible at a pleading of a long docile public. The Hon. Mr. R. D. Gillespie effective voice in its imposition convenient time, without extrans well as in the control of its | vagant expense, armies of col-Colony's taxation or in the con-

ing raised at the will of the

Family Earnings Ordinance is technically still in time in the Colony has come upon of Commons on August 20th, present measure, which has the are largely owned in common, ment are proposed. great advantage that firms The imposition of Income Tax which have made losses instead cuts across the whole fabric of the Chinese social structure.

To take but one example. The proposed allowances for dependents in this Ordinance, though they might appear liberal enough to ordinary Bri tons, ignore the fact that Chinese familles dependents ar rarely limited to a wife and th children. If one member of Chinese family is comparatively

Ignoring Essentials

now to a predominantly Chinese population is to ignore the essential and historical difference between the communities af-

fected. The main opposition to the Income Tax proposition appears to be that systematic and possibly progressive tax posed by the freely-elected resons for my opposition to it. themselves, with the assurance it is the most equitable form sent, the taxpayers do not know regulred revenue, which is ap- Colony is in debt to the motherlighten them. The Government he could get substantial re-If Government wishes to has not made any statement as

Not Sufficient it is not considered sufficient is not abandoned. that the tax has been recommended by a small ad hoc com- upon Government the necessity mittee which cannot be said by of revising and reconsidering any means to be representative the whole question before for-Income tax is a product of of the taxpayers. While it has cing its will upon a reluctant the West, that of a political been said that the tax has not public, and in face of such slate with a representative gov- been imposed without consulta- strong opposition from all ernment which has advanced to tion with and recommendation quarters. It is already sugthe stage when the maxim "No by at least two committees, gested that to oppose would be taxation without representationes, however, were commit- useless, since Government is

Facts Overlooked I am of the opinion that the of electing me to the Council. advocates of Income Tax. their impatience to consolidate government revenue, have overlooked the fact that the major wishes of the Chinese population, representing 95% of the prepared to agree to the endet-Colony's total inhabitants ment of this present measure. whose business acumen and extensive financial investments say that the majority of people ard to a large extent responsi-Hong. Kong is also pre- ble for its traditional pros- bill have also agreed on the prinwith perity, are being ignored. The re- South China in its social struc- Right Honourable Secretary for garded as a useful proposal. It ture. The unit of the Chinese the Colonies Mr. Arthur Creach It, being conceded—I will not say would certainly help to provide cociety is that of the family. Jones in his recent pronounceoriginal estimate, and the cost of which the present bit is based. years before the war, has re- basic information required by Where Income Tax has been ments to the people of colonial of people who have considered the the war maximum Department applied in a society which is territories has arged closer cofore this Council, as it seems to phasis from the common effort, by bringing into existence a re. highly individualistic it is easy operation between the native me, is as to whether or not it is common toll and common suffer- gister of firms. But it would not to separate persons who are populations and their governreally necessary to raise further ing of the war years. If I may, produce substantial revenue, un-subject to tax either individual-ments, and in view of such substantial revenue. And I ven- with profound respect and hu- less it were graduated accord- by or as corporations, or as manifestations it is logical that the objections in this particular ture to think that any doubt mility, borrow and—to the ex- ing to the financial strength of partnerships with a definite the Chinese should oppose any which might have existed on this tent of substituting 'We' for 'I'— the firms included in its scope. legal status. It is difficult to governmental measures which Hong Kong. At this meeting the respect of any year of assessment point must have been complete. paraphrase one of the numerous If a registration fee, the same apply a principle of Income Tax may affect their well being and ly dissiputed by Your Excel. impressive and incomparable ut for all firms, is proposed, it to a people whose earnings are business enterprises. Needless Mr. S. Caine, in moving the ment in which the war which be- leney's address to this Council terances of that great War leader would have to be a nominal gained from the combined ef- to say, the Chinese in Hong the Rt. Hon. Mr. Winston Chur- sum, such as \$100. Graduation forts of a family or clan groups. Kong will not be found wanting "I cannot pretend that the in. chill, in the concluding part of according to financial strength and are spent for the main- when equitable and fair finan-

A Lottery

I. and I am sure that the venues to avoid a further drain taxation. upon the already overtaxed . homeland. But we are not the only Colony where this is true. forms of taxation, I have rend It is faced : today with an appeared in the press, where they two years is estimated ht El. 750,000 or about \$25,000.000. The Secretary of States has aumore remote kin. No family expected to provide interest principles in the conduct of this allowance system devised on and sinking fund for this out port as a free port I do not protunity of stating that I do not deal with the traditional com-for a moment sauggest that any mitments of the head or the of the introduction of income to be unbecessary.

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India Appeals For Jewish Participation Discussions On Palestine

ARABS GIVE FOR VOTE

Flushing Meadows, N.Y., Apr. 30. India today appealed for Jewish participation in the United Nations Special General Assembly's consideration of the Palestine problem. Immediately the General Assembly's Steering Committee resumed discussion of the agenda today, the Indian delegate, Asaf Ali, said:
"Today and yesterday we have been playing Ham-

let without a Prince of Denmark. Where are the people whose actual rights we have to consider? Where are the representatives of the Jewish people who are so interested in this problem? We find neither of them here. We have received certain communications from the latter, but unfortunately they seem to con-

The rpokesman of the In-

lian delegation told Reuter that

Mr. Ali's appeal to Arabs not

to be impatient was not intend-

their present demand for dis-

cussion of Palestine indepen-

dence and termination of the

British mandate, He merely

wished to stress that it was un-

destrable to discuss the merits

now, especially when the Jewish

Sweden's delegate, Mr. Her-

people were unrepresented.)

man Eriksson, said: "There is

fore passing judgment on the

ed as a request to them to drop

Ilict with one another.' Mr. All said that he wished people, something I should to correct the assumption by think between 20 and 30 million the press that as a result of people." he He reiterated the appeal for his remarks yesterday "taunted" the British delegate, Jewish representation and add "I ed an appeal to Arabs not to Sir Alexander Cadogan. never approach these serious be too impatient in wishing to

questions, these great matters, discuss the merits of their case in a spirit of sarcasm or taunt." at this stage and to allow the He said that Britain "very committee to proceed with its courageously" took over the work mandate in 1923.

question we gathered here to consider is of the utmost importance," he con-Unued. "It is not merely a question of Palestine, it is not merely a question of followers of Israel. It is a question fundamentally of human rights and international security and peace."

All congratulated the Arab states on the ability with which they had put their case, Jews in India had never suf- need for a thorough analysis befered, he said.

"My country has looked upon problem. There have been many them as a people who should investigations of Palestine, but be respected. There are a large never an importial international number of people living in commission. We cannot hope to Afghanistan, in the Northwest have discussion at present with Frontier Province and in any useful results. For these Kashmir, all of withm claim des reasons, I cannot support the seent from Israel, They con- inclusion of the Arabs' item stitute a very large body of on the agenda."

be run at 2.30 p.m.

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CONTROL OF "IMMIGRANTS"

Paris, Apr. 30. The French Government has informed the British authorities that it will reinforce control measures to prevent Jewish immigrants from travelling from France to Palestine with false exit visus, the spokesman of the French Foreign Office said today. .

Dr. Neftali Ponce (Ecuador) also opposed the Arab demand for full discussion on the claration of independence, but representation in the General Assembly's consideration.

The Czechoslovak delegate, Dr. Jan Papanek, said that he favoured a full discussion on the future of Palestine, but could-not-support the Arab-pro- -slow-down-the-dialogue-slightlyposal in its present form. favoured Jewish participation in the discussion.

(Informed observers believe that in the present lineup poting, the Arab proposal likely to receive the maximum of four in favour, six against and four abstentions, though fast-minute surprises are pos-

British Reply

Alexander Cadogan, opposing the Arab demand, pointed out that the British proposal for the appointment of a committee was already endorsed by the

tives and the committee must Britain to allow more not logically adopt both. Our domination in Palestine," proposal excludes no solution He added: "If immigration

like procedure." ings in that sense. Sir Alexan- to find homes for them. der refuted the remarks about The Iraq delegate, Dr. Fadil

he had never had the impres- journed .- Reuter. sion that the Indian delegate was employing any taunts in his speech yesterday; on the contrary, the Indian Ambassador had poken with customary courtesy."

China Says No

When the Steering Committee resumed, China's delegate, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, said that he could not vote for the Arab proposal, as it was necessary to have more facts before making a de-

Mr. Khoury, of Syria, thank- Arab proposal. ed the Indian delegate, for his The Arabs had argued for eight ber of Parliament, today accused lion people."

He then emphasised that Arabs were not trying to force ; the General Assembly to take have been made and the syma decision on the future of pathy shown for the Arab cause," the Assembly's jurisdiction.

"The General Assembly is catitled to make recommendations and nothing more. Our request is that the recommendation to Britain will be directed towards termination of the had turned down the informal atmandate and recognition Palestine's independence." He concluded that Arabs had deadlock.-Associated Press.

American Hit In

London, Apr. 30. The historic Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, where Nell Gwynne once sold oranges, reported heavy advance sale today for the big Brondway hit to send over

The Theatre Guild show pre- There is less tension in Nor- mons today that reports that spots of the London theatrical season, but Britons will hearing the show exactly as was, and is, being heard in New supported the Jewish plen for York and elsewhere in the Unit- way's effort to promote the suced States. Road showings Manchester turned up the fact that British audiences had trouble catching Mid-Western accents when spoken at normal

> So the cast was instructed to He and tests showed that the lines were then easily understood

States as "Gypsy Love," is playnow, and with "Annie Get Your critics are hailing the "post-war American invasion," — United

not fixed the date for termination of the mandate, which they The British delegate, Sir left to the September Assembly

"Patience"

Danger Of

The Syrian delegate said:-"We are asked to Steering Committee. He add- patience. But, meanwhile, Zionists are forcing Immigra-"I doubt whether it is pos- tion until they get a majority. sible for the same committee to The position of the United endorse the Arab proposal. States is well known. They also These items are really alterna- are exerting pressure on Great choose one or the other. It can- migrants so as to create Jewish

whatever. It is a much broader is stopped, we have no objecproposal than Egypt's and tion to being patient. But at provides for a more workman- present patience is harmful to the Arab cause."

If a commission of inquiry Mr. Khoury declared that the repay damages of £400,000 caus- italist country, production has found independence desirable question of displaced persons ed by the oil installation fire decreased. Many factories have for the wellbeing of Palestine, was separate' and it was the it was free to make the find- responsibility of other nations

trying to dictate to the Gen- Jamali, began a bitter attack mons today whether the Govern- England is also suffering from eral Assembly and added: "No against Zionism which, he said, ment was prepared to impose a one can dictate to the General was "polsoning the atmosphere fine. in Palestine," when the Chair-He said that he would like to man called him to order. The assure the Indian delegate that Steering Committee than ad- - "la the Minister aware that one

Arab Vote

New York, May 1. The Arab countries formally "his gave up their fight for a vote in the whole matter was under conthe United Nations Assembly's sideration.—Reuter. steering committee on the demand for a special Palestine session to for a special Palestine session to consider the independence of the M.P. Aleges

Holy Land now. Answering the appeals from Police Tap and peace, Mahmoud Hassan Pasha of Egypt told the committee that his country would not press for the vote now on the

analysis of the present position hours that a special Assambly the Ulster Government of tamand said that he was "happy to should discuss their demand for pering with letters from the Unitknow that Mr. All's words the cancellation of the British ed States addressed to him as corried the backing of 400 mil. mandate on Palestine and the Secretary of the Irish Partition freedom for the Holy Land.

Not Being Pressed "In view of the appeals that

Palestine, as it was not within | Hassan Pasha said "I will not press for a vote at the present moment on the Arab proposal." He said that he would seek further instructions from his gov-

ernment. The Egyptian made this dramatic announcement after the Arabs of tempt by Assembly President Aranha to break the Palestine

Sweden Is Still "Uncertain"

New York, Apr. 30. Henry Wallace, reporting on his recent visit to the Scandinavian countries, claimed today that Sweden was the most troubled of the Scandinavian countries he had visited.

Writing in the liberal magazine "New Republic," of which he is the editor, Mr. Wallace said that 'it was still "uncertain" how the Swedes would

London, Apr. 30.

Beyin, told the House of Com-

death were inaccurate. Britain

would closely watch their trial

In reply to a question by

Thomas Driberg, (Labour) Mr.

Bevin said the British Charge

d'Affaires said the youths were

charged with placing bombs in

front of food shops last Novem-

ber. Four persons were injured.

(one seriously) when the

pected in the next few weeks.

Mr. Bevin said he would "keep

an eye on this trial but all this

proves the wisdom of my action

in resisting the demands for

the withdrawal of our diploma-

tle representation in Madrid."

Out Of Step

A Radio Moscow broadcast

commentary by Semenov today,

detailing progress during the

second year of the current Five-

Year Plan, said that "restora-

tion" is increasing . in the

Soviet Union while "things are

different with the economy of

Semenov said, "In the United

"The economic crisis does not

duction, said Semenov .- United

foreign countries."

London, Apr. 30.

Courts-martial were ex-

bombs exploded, he slad.

-United Press.

when and If it is held.

act politically in a divided world. "Swedes wish to maintain through the United Nations friendly relations with the Rus- then pence can be maintained, sians and are simultaneously not for one generation, but for developing a sense of responsi-bility to the Charter of the United Nations."—Reuter.

Mr. Wallace said that the lack of political tension in Norway was due to the "aggressive programme of the Norwegian Labour Government, Report wegian Labour Government, musical comedy "Oklahoma", first while partisan politics of the left and right have led to relaa complete American cast since tive uneasiness and fear in | The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Sweden and Denmark."

> way, with the conservative nine Spanish youths imprisoned press less hostile than in Swe- in Spain had been sentenced to den, because it is less fearful. Mr. Wallace spoke of Norin | cess of the United Nations "through equal partnership of the great powers and independence of smaller nations."

He noted the emergence of the "old spirit of partisan politics" in Denmark. Mr. Wallace added: "The absence of a progressive programme has meant. "Romany Love," known in the as in Sweden, that the Social Democrats have been squeezed! ing at His Majesty's Theatre | between the growing forces of the right and left,"

> One Basis Broadcasting to the Ameri-

cans tonight on his recent tour of Europe, he said that he "found" the one basis on which progressive Europe can operate with America is a strong United Nations.

"Only through the United Everyone ations will Europe be identi-Nations will Europe be identified with America," Mr. Wallace Else Is declared.

"There is in Europe a deep have belief that if we work together

London, Apr. 30. The Colonial Office today sidestepped a suggestion that it levy a communal fine upon the Jew-States, which is the richest capish community in Palestine touched off by terrorists at Haifa. closed down and 3,000,000 un-Sir Waldron Smithers, Conser-

employed have been registered." vative, asked Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, Secretary of State for only threaten the United States. Colonies, in the House of Comgrave economic troubles" while in all basic industries the Soviet

He drew the answer that the Union showed advances in promatter was still under considera-

of the most effective means of restraining terrorists in to impose a communal fine and insist on it being paid?" Sir Waldron asked. Mr. Creech Jones repeated that

Belfast, Apr. 30.

Mr. Conlon. Nationalist Mem-

Speaking in the Northern Ireland Parliament, Mr. Conlon also charged that the police had "tupped" his telephone.

"When I speak in Irlsh to another Member of Parliament, the call-is cut off until someone is brought who understands the language," he declared.

"I have also heard the operator ask whether my telephone calls are wanted for police evidence." No reply was made to Mr. Conon's accusations.—Reuter.

NATIONALIZATION OF STEEL

London, Apr. 80. An Exchange Telegraph political correspondent said today that the Government will attempt only one major nationalization measure-nationalization of part of the steel in-dustry—at the next session of Parliament.

The correspondent said the proposed steel nationalization legislation which will be outlined in the King's speech at the beginning of the new session in November will acquire for the state all the voting shares of

leading British steel firms.

The despatch said nationalization of the gas industry will be held over until the following mession United Press.

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ing of Shareholders of Hong 15.55, 17.28, 18.27. Kong Realty and Trust Company, Limited, will be held at it is hoped that a 1st | Class Company, Exchange Building the 16th May. (Second Floor), Des Voeux Röad Central, Hong Kong, on Differ Writing Tables, Office | WEDNESDAY, the 28th May, Chairs. Sideboards, of Accounts and the Report of Cupboards—With | confirming the appointment of Combined, Standard a Director and re-electing two

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> By Order of the Board, F. C. BARRY,

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Secretary.

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Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-eighth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company, will be held at the Offices of Messrs Dodwell & Co., Ltd., 3rd f.oor, 1947. Hengkong Bank Building, on Wednesday, the 21st May 1947, Mr. Alexander Douglas Lear- at 11 a.m. for the purpose of heen receiving the Report appointed Secretary of the Statement of Accounts for the period 1st December 1946

> 31st December 1946. Notice is also given that the Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 7th May 1947 to the 21st May 1947, both days inclusive.

> > DODWELL & CO., LTD. General Managers.

NOTICE

London, Apr. 30.

Dr. Garbett said that while Britain might feel content that | States, Russia did not.

"Sooner or later," he said. "the bomb will pass into the possession of other nations. The psychological effect on the gold peoples of the world will be very great. They will feel, of doom . . .

ture will come to naught unless | ing to use it for war. this matter is dealt with. We

NOTICE ROYAL HONGKONG

GOLF CLUB

Owing to the very considerable Increase in the cost of hiring a vehicle to transport Golfers to and from Fanling on Sundays, it is regretted no further transportation of this nature available in future.

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LORDS DEBATE ON CONTROL Lot To Be Ashamed OF ATOMIC ENERGY

Dr. Cyril Garbett, Archbishop of York, asked the Government in the House of Lords today to do everything possible to reach an agreement with Russia on the control of atomic energy.

Dr. Garbett joined Lord Cherwell, Director of the Royal Air Force's Physical Laboratory, in warning that discovery of more powerful and destructive atomic bombs might lead to the end of civilization.

Both endorsed the American; are building castles in the sand plan for international control which will be swept away with the atomic bomb's first blast." of atomic energy. "Unrealistic"

Lord Cherwell said the plan the atomic bomb should remain to destroy all existing bombs the monopoly of the United was inadequate and unrealistic. "It means that everyone would be put on an equality so that everyone would be tempted to start making bombs," he

Viscount Samuel said there should be some international hanging over them the shadow force empowered to use the atom bomb as a last resort "All our planning for the fu- against those who were prepar-

"Madness" Lord Russell said Russin's opposition to the American

control plan was "madness." Viscount Addison, replying UNMANNERLY for the Government, said: "We must put the whole of our faith conduct organization of the United Nations to the utmost extent."--United-Press-

No Time To Waste Lord Addison, Dominion

4s Secretary, for the Government emphasised the importance of wasting no time in developing Suitable trains now leave, Kow-Lauggestions for international control.

He recalled that a technical commission had reported to the Security Council that the atomic weapon could be eliminated from the world and information for industrial use peacefully exchanged among nations.

These objectives could conly United Nations which, he said, in the pan?" was the only hope of the world. Mr Strachey did not reply.---- keuter.

WAIT AND SEE POLICY

Washington, Apr. 30. Mr. A. R. Berle, former Under-Secretary of State, told the Scuale Foreign Relations Committee here today that the Senate should delay action on the Italian peace treaty until "we can see further the pattern of

events." The treaty, he said, was patterned on the belief that a general European peace would be achieved soon, but there was little chance of it even at the next meeting of the Foreign Ministers, He urged Congress to adopt a joint resolution terminating the state of war with Italy and to authorise the President, pending ratification of the treaty, to enter into an executive agreement with Italy.—Reuter.

COOKING FAT'S

London, Apr. 30. (Cons) complained in the House 1948, but the programme of Commons today that the should be continued in any standard of cooking fat ration- case, whether under American ed to British housewives is apt nuspices, or under the United to "turn blue and explode" the frying pan-

The Food Minister, John table cil, palm kernel oil and whale oil. It is the palm kernal oil that sometimes makes it spit, he said.

"This is most unmannerly be obtained by international co- conduct on the part of standard operation. The British Gov. cooking fat," said Joynsonernment was determined to put Hicks. "Will the Minister try to its faith and effort into the improve it so it does not spit

United Press.

Press Not London So Optimistic

London, Apr. 30. Only three morning newspapers commented today on Secretary of State Marshall's report on the Governor Moscow conference. None shared his optimism over eventual conclusion of the treaty on Ger- Prohibits

The "News Chronicle" that economically there was no justification for optimism, intimated that Europe is headed for a disaster unless an immediate solution is found.

Close Pubs

Belfast, Apr. 30. Though Belfast dockers are "partial to a pint of porter" themselves, they have forced Belfast to become a dry city by supporting the barmen's demand for closed shop.

All public houses finally elesed here today when the Guiness Brewery Company decided not to issue further supplies of stout in the city when the dockers threatened to boycott coal and goods for the Great Northern Railway, which carries the beer from Dub-

The dockers have been enforcing an embargo on beer and spirits for five weeks. One docker told

"We are doing it at a sactification because we are partial to a pint of porter ourselves."-Reuter,

BOAC Has

London, Apr. 30. British Overseas Airways Cor poration is to introduce early..in

New "Plymouth" class flyingbonts will be used to open a weekbetween Bahrein and Karachi. The first flying-boat will leave soners and much war material Poole on May 2, and return from seized.

May 7.

Lydda, in Palestine,-Router.

weekly botwoon. Britain and guns

the solution "cannot wait on It Russian vagaries." If the Soviet Union cannot reach agreement with the powers, "Britain and America must manage their zones without · "The Times" said that Gen.

The "Daily Telegraph" said

Marshall had expressed the problem in "admirably clear perspective" but the "failure Moscow...justifies an end the policy of holding the door so scrupulously wide open that the resulting draught blights all hopes of recovery."

Not Cheerful

"The Times" regretted that the economic fusion of the British and American zones "has not become a reality" because of. administrative difficulties and different outlooks on the control of German industries. It said prospects of economic rehabilitation of the two zones in the immediate future are not "cheerful."

The "Daily Telegraph" said Russia's actions of the conference brought Britain and America closer together. It added that "closer collaboration with America is imperative and it the result proves unpalatable to Russia, she has no one to blame but herself."-United Press.

Washington, Apr. 30. The report to the Sec-

retary of State, Mr. Marshall, of the U.S. economic mission to Greece, concluded that would need finthe next five ple is growing." during years, here today.

States is going to assure the that South Africans have noth- Him, all would come well and future of Greece, a continuing ing to be ashamed of when the right. It is a tremendous chalprogramme is required. This King toured the country. programme should not be limitgramme of recovery and restoration should envisage period of about five years.

"It is hoped that direct American financial assistance will Lancelot Joynson-Hicks not be necessary after June 30. In Nations."

"Recovery Mission" The report recommended a Strachey, admitted the fat has 50-man "American " Recovery a tendency to spit in the pan. Mission" be sent to Greece to He said it is made of soft vege- ensure American aid be used

l effectively. "Supervision of funds ex tended by the United States should be delegated to the Mission and disbursements should be made by it in accordance with legislation by Congress, with the policy established by the President or the Secretary of State and with agreement on this matter between the United States Government and the Greek Government," the report

It also recommended that "appropriate means should be devised for keeping the United Nations and specialised and associated agencles informed of the operation of the mission. -Reuter

Whether Malays, Chinese or Indians in Malaya who wore jungle green battledress, which they might have bought from surplus stock, would be allowed to wear it in view of regulation passed on March 10 prohibiting the wearing of uniforms was question put to the Colonial Seeretary, Mr. Creech Jones, by the Labour Member, Mr. Haroki Davies, in the House of Commons

Mr. Creech Jones replied: "Under Public Order Ordinance of 1947 the Governor may pro-hibit the wearing of any uniform or distinctive dress which signifies association with any political organisation or object. I will invite the Governor's comments on the case mentioned by Mr. Davies and communicate with him on

receipt of a reply." Mr. Davies also asked what loans had been made in Malaya for the rehabilitation of tin mines and how the loans had

been allocated. The Colonial Secretary replied: "The Government of the Malayan Union are making rehabilitation loans to the tin industry for approved programmes of repair. The loans will be the first charge on repaired asset and will be set off against any compensation payable for war damages."-Reuter.

Rebellion Paraguay Quashed

Buenos Aires, Apr. 30. After three days of street fighting behind an iron curtain of censorship, the President of Paraguay Senor Morinigo, put down an uprising in Asuncion which started on Sunday, when the capital's Marine garrison rebelled against the Government. A communique issued by the clon, in northern Paraguay, claim-

ly service between Britain and Paraguayan Government today ed that they had inspired th Bahrein, in the Persian Guif, and said that the rising had been com- Asuncion rebellion. pletely smashed and many pri-

Reports from the Argentine have been an all-out effort The first flying-boat from frontier confirm the collapse of break the military stalemate Bahrein to Karachi is due to leave the rebellion, and clair) that hun-which has existed kince the civil on May 5 and from Karachi on dreds have been killed or wound-war, began almost eight weeks May 7.

Od in pitched battles fought in ago.

The third new service, operate the lairests, during which the lie fallure is considered to be

Observers here consider this to

All-Out Effort

od by "Dakota" aircraft, will be loyalists several times used field a serious blow to rebel hopes to overturn the Morinigo regime. Robel headquarters in Concept Reuter.

London, Apr. 30. The Prime Minister's sister, Miss Mary Attlee, who has been a welfare worker among coloured people in Cape Province, South Africa, for over 20 years, told a meeting of the Royal Empire Society today: "I have tried to look at life in Cape Province with the ears and eyes of the coloured people.

More and more, I-have gathered-how-awful-it-is to be a coloured person. I want to ask you to think how long will these people be loyal and patient as they are at the present time? Day by day I am astonished at their extreme loyalty to the white people and their extraordinary patience.

"Their children are badly [water, educated-coloured schools need fever. to be trebled. Day by day, the

The report declared: "If the Miss Attlee said: "General "If all these Europeans in the United Smuts is reported to have said South Africa would be true to

"I think those reports were Lord. Will we take up the chaled in concept to a single year. wrong for there is a lot to be lenge and do all we ought to It is emphasised that this pro- ashamed of in South Africa. We help the coloured people in have been continually trying to South Africa?" bring to the notice of the authorities the bad conditions, hoped soon to return to South such as contaminated drinking Africa.-Reuter,

God's Providence Miss Attice declared: "The ancial help from abroad irritation of the coloured peo- British Empire, I am convinced, is under the providence of God published | Speaking of "racial dis- and the answer to all these procrimination" in South Africa, blems is to be found in Christ,

lenge to the followers of our

Miss Attlee said that she



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INLAND REVENUE

(Continued from page 2)

the poor man harder than the rich one, but at the same time you bill, demands which it would will fail to obtain a fair share of difficult, if not impossible, to rethe payment of taxes from the man with money, which is what one might call a legally inequitable tax.

Lotteries

"Another suggestion is n lottery. I have no 'moral' objection. to-lotteries-from-n-personal point of view, but I am not so convinced that there are no such objections when it becomes a matter of state. "In England, and I believe at

the present time in China, such lotteries as are contemplated in this suggestion are not permitted; on the contrary there is active opposition to them.

"Whether, in the circumstances of this Colony, having regard to such objections, they should be permitted, I have grave doubt and so far as I am personally concerned I should be very much against them.

"Apart from the moral or politient angle, I do not think they would be effective to produce the may prevent this being done in necessary revenue.

"There are state lotteries in "This brings me to a Australia, but I dld not find any which I regard as of great imparticular interest taken in them, and they can form only a small "A further point I should like

to make is that under this Bill public and other companies will contribute very large sums money, sums much beyond those that are at the disposal of individuals. But, is it realised that none of this money could be put into a lottery, as I have yet to come across a company where one of its objects was to invest in lotteries, and clearly in no case could the directors do so, however anxious they might be to help in in this Council. I felt that there a good cause.

"Can it be seriously suggested. that the subscriptions of indivi- harmony which, however, was not duals could approach the sums that would be collected under any form of direct taxation, however modest, from these wealthy commanies?

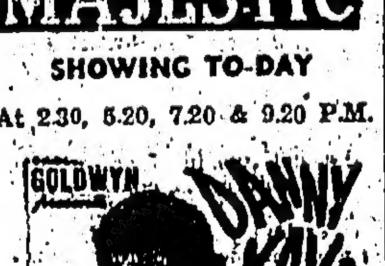
Cost Of Living

"I at least am satisfied that the millions that it is said would comfrom this source is only withful claborate this point at the present thinking, and if it were not should be even more firmly opposed to the klea.

capital tax. I am not clear how this would operate, but it would be interesting to know how it is applied to professional men and women. I can only assume that am very glad to note have been considerably cut down in this bill I needed. -where the matter would be left l sioner.

higher. This is the point where mittee, so far as I am concerned, many will disagree with me, but | meets this objection. am convinced that any form of sult. I cannot say that persons taxes will not have them passed en to them.

"I have already come across a l case where the interest tax has sent the interest rate up, but it is. I hope, true, if it is not abvious at the moment, that supply and demand will deal with this problem. On the other hand, so far us I can see, any effective tax which has been suggested will automatically cause a demand for increased wages from the many people in this Colony who wi



not be directly affected by

Beginning Of End "This Colony has up to date, in my opinion, enjoyed a great measure of freedom from post-war labour trouble, and it would be disastrous in the extreme to bring in taxes which, directly affecting persons who will not generally be affected by this bill, would cause industrial trouble that would not otherwise arise.

"In connection with this point, fact that we know it has been thon the letter of the law, agreed that a general increase in be permitted, and it would be privacies of private and commore than unfortunato 'If coincided with a general increase of prices from indirect taxation I venture to make the last observation as I feel that many will, so long as the bill is reasonable. pay their share of the tax without regard to recouping themselves from others, even assuming, as have suggested; that, competition

the majority of cases.

portance. "Much of the opposition to this of the revenue which is bill, and it is very considerable, arises from the feeling that this is the beginning of the end. That as the evaders succeed in evading, the others will be forced to pay in their stead, and furthermore that the breach having been made It Government officials who, they consider, are already, compared with their opposite numbers in private life, very comfortably placed. In the past there fears have not been groundless, but, as I remarked in a previous speech was much more harmony between the parties than before the war, being helped by requisitioning.

feel very strongly that the imposition of a moderate tax is not only a question of amount but of principle in the circumstances of

this Colony. Best Suited

"I do not think it necessary to time, as I am satisfied that the present bill is within this principle, but I certainly reserve free-"Perhaps I should also refer to dom of action if it is proposed youd its present limits.

"I have endeavoured to give the reasons that have lead me to the opinion that I should support this bill as being the most appropriate this is one of the cases-which I form of taxation for this Colony in raising the revenue that

to the discretion of the Commus- original form of this bill which based this year's taxation on last "The consideration, however, year's income I could not have that has weighed most with me in supported, as, in my view, which connection with this bill is that I have also previously expressed, the cost of living in this Colony is last year was such an abnormal nuthing shall be done to make it ence to the last Taxation Com-

"In conclusion, I feel that this taxation which is not based on the | bill, moderate in tone, is suited to income or profits of the indivi- the present circumstances of this duals in the Colony who can Colony and is desirable in preferafford to pay will lead to that re- ence to other forms of taxation on the ground that in the final analywho are not intended to pay these sis it is a measure which, if efficlently and justly enforced, orderly, effective, and the likely to add to the general cost of living and cause consequentia

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY

Replying for the Government, the Colonial Secretary said:-"From what has been said in Council this afternoon and from the public representations which have been made concerning this

Bill It is obvious that there is some anxiety about the way in which the tax machinery will operate. There is a fear that while the honest men pays, the rogue will escape; and there is also a fear on the part of some of the smaller business concerns. that a host of Government tax inspectors may descend on them and pry into and disclose what, for commercial reasons, it is: important should not be dis-

"Very briefly I want to do: what I can to allay these and similar anxioties.

"I think it worth remembering that the Taxation Department is starting not quite from scratch: It was in operation in 1941 and I do not recall that its methods or its efficiency were scriously called to question in

fair to any that there was good provisions of Section 4 of the cooperation between the public! and the Department and I can stringent secreey under which nesure Council that, so far as is humanly possible, the Government means that cooperation to

Chinese Accounts "Under the Bill now before ty."

us the Commissioner has very specific intention to exercise this power wherever possible I am further influenced by the with an eye on the spirit rather reasonably and without undue said:privacies of private and com-

> ment's intention, nor is it likely to be the result.

"On the Commissioner's stat there will be officers expert in drawing from Chinese, accounts such information as is necessary for the purposes of this Tax Bill. These officers have been specially selected and a will be enlarged for the benefit of number of them were in the tion to all these alternatives 1941 Department and on the and that is that in none of them basis of that experience they can the rate of tax be adjusted. are confident that in very few to the capacity of the individual cases will the taxpayer be re- to pay to the same degree as is quired to recast his accounts, possible in the case of a tax Certainly he will not be lightly on incomes. Moreover, all these asked to do so.

of evasion. There will be some Committee at the end of last evision and there in no sense year and they were rejected as in denying it. But the question unsatisfactory. "On this aspect of the matter I is, how much evasion? Since the whole matter, both now and later, is not susceptible of proof, all I can do here is to Profits Tax should be cut ou

Not So Easy

extremely high, at such a height year that nothing could fairly be on a large scale and where circumstances of each individual that perhaps we may hope it is based thereon. However, the alonly temporary, and this certainly ternative that has now been em- comment was confident that the involves the proposition that bodied as a result of the refer- corrective measures planned for 1942 would have had satisfactory results. It would not have been perfect no tax, ever is -but it was reasonably certain tint there would not have been material evasion. And the Govthe same situation should not obtain in regard to the present

other business. Honourable

contrary, I think it would be Members will have observed the Bill and the obligation of the personnel of the taxation department are bound to operate, I assure Council that these provisions are there to be obeyed and will be enforced to the best of Government's abili

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

The Financial Secretary then

"This Bill has been the subject of a number of petitions mercial life. And he will depart from various sections of the from that policy only where he Chinese community, and there has good reason to suspect an has also been a good deal of attempt at deliberate evasion. eriticism in the press. One of "Some smaller Chinese busi- the principal lines of argument nesses fear that their whole has been that the revenue extraditional system of account- pected from this measure could ing will be overturned at expense more easily be obtained by to themselves and confusion to means of certain alternative their enterprises. Quite cate- methods of taxation. Porhaps gorically this is not Govern- the most widespread suggestion has been that some form of business licence should be substituted for the proposed Profits Tax, but a Sales Tax and a Customs Tariff on a limited range of luxury items have also been proposed.

. "There is one general objecproposals were examined with "Then there is the question great care by the Taxation

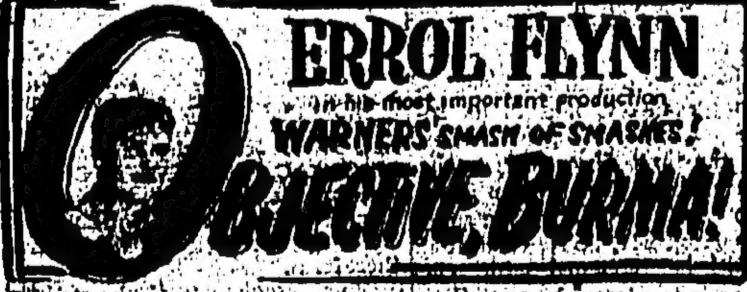
Profits Tax "The auggestion that the

state that naturally the Govern- of the present Bill and replaced ment has most carefully, con- by some form of business sidered the problem of potential licence is open to a number of other objections. Of the four taxes covered by the Bill the "The Government's consider- Profits Tax is, of course, the ed view is that evasion will not; one from which the, greatest. be nearly so easy as appears in amount of revenue will be desuggested business licence or the bill should be expanded be some quarters to be supposed rived. If it were to be replaced and that it will become pro- therefore by some form of. gressively more difficult. The business licence this would have world-wide experience of tax- | to be fixed at quite a high figure. gatherers is that concealment Obviously the smaller businesses of profits over an extended could not afford to pay such period is not an easy- matter a high licence fee and it would and we do not expect to find be necessary to create adminis-"I should perhaps add that the it so in Hong Kong. And in trative machinery to consider Hong Kong we may also take hundreds, or, more probably, comfort from the experience of thousands of applications on their merits with a view "So far as we know, the 1941 scaling down the fee to an tax was not successfully evaded appropriate figure to meet the

> "This would be a formidable task. Considerable extra staff would be required, and whether each case was considered on its merits or the alternative and equally difficult method wwas adopted of fixing a graduated ernment sees no reason why scale of fees and attempting to classify the various business accordingly, the results. would inevitably be far. from satis-"And lastly, as to the dis- factory. How much simpler it closure of commercial secrets, will be to tax these concerns: which is so contrary to the according to their actual profits traditions of Chinese or any as is now proposed, and how (Continued on Page 10,)



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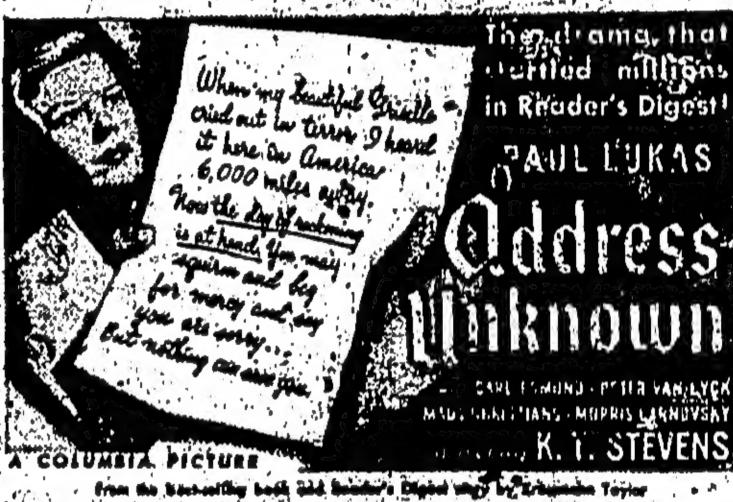
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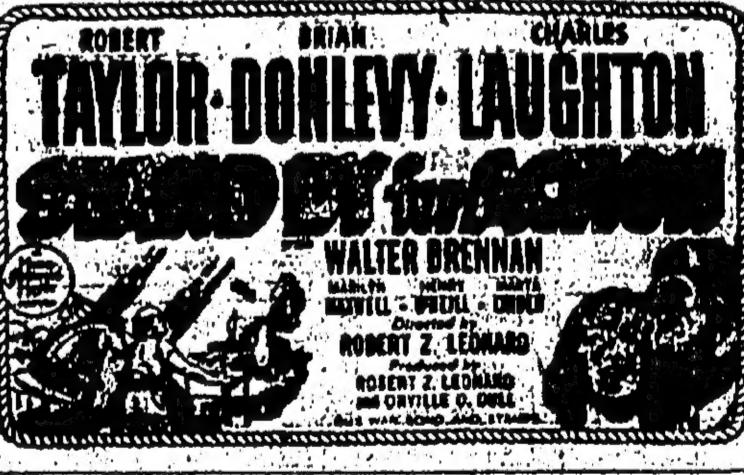
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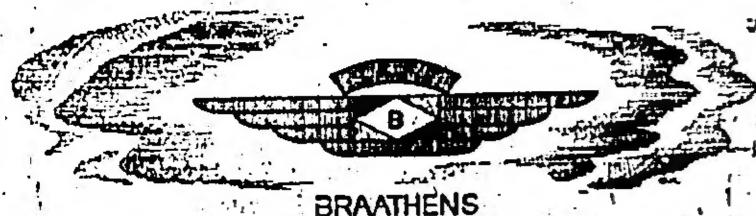
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Maraging Editor: W. J. Keates. Pelping, Apr. 30. Dark fears that Japan will Telephoness rise again are slowly taking Editors & General Office 32312 shape belind the contours of

China in turmoll, and economic field finds similar

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ment derived yesterday afternoon

without reference to public feel-

ing, the aim was accomplished,

and with a better showing than

seemed possible a month ago. Pri-

marily because of the important

modifications made on the advice of the Morse Committee, the Bill

officials than the Government had

good deal of reluctance, that

of the Unofficials found them-

selves able to announce approval,

Mear and unequivocal. In that at-

titude they were, in their own

way, but reflecting the solid body

of opinion within the Colony

of their own affairs. Had things

tion to a favourable hearing came

merits of all possible forms

ing. Nothing recommended

able influence on the cost of liv-

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excludes 95 per cent. of the Co-

tion, and the most logically cor-

rect of the four taxes included in

that, after the Chambar of Com-merce meeting, was already sculed.

any right to expect. It is, how-

What satisfaction the Govern-

titled to take. If the main thing camps, Japan rather than tracted swarm. China-will become America's most useful and therefore lending interest in the Far East, One and a half years after

affout draw little attention.

secured the consent of more Unofficials than the Government had May Day: consent was given not without a Order. Of given expression, and that none of the Unofficials found thembeavy doubts and misgivings were

London, May 1. General Bulganin, Soviet Minister of Armed which in spite of all persuasion Forces and Deputy Prepersists in the view that expediency mier, told the Russian has been exploited to its extreme | people in a May Day Orlimit, that the measure has been der-of-the-Day that their foisted on a community inade- armed forces must mainquately prepared, and against its tain "fighting preparedconsent, that the whole procedure, the manner and the method adopt- ness" and would begin Shansi. ed to push the measure through summer manoeuvres in has direly damaged confidence in a few days.

the message which H.E. Sir Mark | The Order-of-the-Day was Young heralded on his arrival broadcast by Radio Moscow as twelve months ago, assuring the most of the countries of dery Street, where the Japanpeople of this Colony of the Gov- Europe prepared to celebrate ese repatriates dumped May Day.

ernment's intention to give them "Our Gen. Bulganin said: a greater share in the management entire people, led by the Combeen done in a different way, the teacher, Comrade Stalin, is persistently overcoming portreception, we feel sure, would have been more amiable. In the war difficulties and achieving one victory after" another on haven't gone very far. Bill as it now stands, there is

nothing reasonably likely to arouse the front of peaceful labour. bitter, hostility and little open to Soviet Union, its active and ed by civil strife, economic rechallenge. Curiously enough, the clearest-cut contribufrom an Unofficial. Mr. M. M. countering the approval and American aid. They look the time is inopportune and that postponement of the Bill's operaof the world.

tion for twelve months would be for the Government the path of duty of safeguarding the peace. through the hutungs of Pell wisdom and discretion, but he also and the state. To fulfill this er the other day: "Did insisted that the most vital consideration in assessing the relative forces must constantly maintain | been landed in Tientsin?" their fighting preparedness." new taxation must be the calcul-

He added that summer mangenvres would start in a few -days and called upon the niman alternative stands up to this ed forces to "solve excellently" test so well as does the Inland the problems they faced .- Unit-Revenue Bill. The scale of taxa- ed Press.

lony's wage and salary earners from liability, and probably more than half the Chinese businesses. IOO Years than half the Chinese businesses. It is impossible to escape the conclusion that, except perhaps in one or two rare instances, those

who have to pay can well afford (Excerpts from the Files of the declarer—that is not the object of to, and, what is more important, that one of the peculiar merits of "China Mgil," May '2, 1847). "NOTICE: Should this meet-the tain type bid as if that were the "income tax" is that it cannot readily be passed on to third eye of A. R. Jones, a native of Cal. main idea. They seem to resent parties. Any addition to indirect cutta, who came to China about their opponents getting into the four years ago, he is requested to bidding, not realizing that their taxation would, on the contrary, write his Mother who is much doing so merely offers an option. he immediately reflected in wages distressed at not hearing from It gives you a choice between try and prices, and, as Mr. Watson him." stressed, a coupling of new im-

posts with the impending rent increases all over the Colony might "NOTICE: The -partnership clarer must take a majority of well be disastrous to the Colony's heretofore subsisting between the tricks to score, whereas, if the internal economy, and to its re- ns Merchants carrying on Bust- contract is two or more, the dolative peace and good order. ness in London under the Firm of fence requires only a mincrity From the three dissentients to the MAGNIAC, JARDINE & Co., is to record points. measure, there came little new by this day dissolved as to the Underway of argument. The suggestion signed, John Abel Smith and of the Hon. Mr. S. N. Chau that Thomas Charles Smith who retire

the Bill be accepted with the thereform. "In consequence of the retireomission of the provisions for Corment of Mr. John Abel Smith S. J 9 3 poration and Business Profits Tax ment of Mr. John Abel Smith S. J 9 3 N S. A 10 7 4 and one ment in the other suits, was novel, but scarcely realistic MAGNIAC, JARDINE & Co., is D. J 6 4 W E D. K 6 In a measure expressly designed new House has been formed un- C. K 7 2 to ensure utinest fairness in the der the Firm of MATHESON, a distribution of the necessary bur- Co. for transacting the business .. den of new taxation, adjusted as heretofore carried on by that

far as possible to the capacity to firm. House will consist of pay, it would be an extravagant Mesers. Alexander Matheson, Androw Jardine, Hollingworth (Dealer: South, East-West vul. contradiction to exclude the potentially largest revenue-producer, Magniac, William Fraser, and nerable.) the source offering easiest collec- Hugh Mackey Matheson."

The unsettled state of Europe because having alightly more the framework of the Bill. Obwiously, it must either stand as a
engage public attention to the exwhole, or fall likegether. And clusion of other matters of national attention be realized his side clusion of other matters of na. tard strength he required his side thought in probably had a tare talance of murders capes a ret to have provided in the control of the con

By ANTHONY ULLSTEIN

Anxiety over Japan's out- victory of 1945 has a hollow panese are not afraid of the stripping China in the political ring in Chinese cars.

The ochre-uniformed soldiers expression from Peiping in the that overran the country durnorth to Canton in the south, ing a decade of naked aggres-Japan's own economic woes sion have been repatriated.

and political differences find lit. The gendarmes and "special more signs of recovery Red tle reflection in the Chinese service" police that brought that the defeated Japanese have towns have-many of themtheir work cut out just keeping been arrested. So have the war tarists and zaibatsu for use criminals. Some have been against the Chinese people. It is taken for granted-al- shot.

most instinctively—that the in- The civilian colonizers and ing Japan, said: "The Kuominin securing passage of the Inland dustrious and patriotic Japan- carpet-baggers of the "New Or- tang is very anxious to get Ja-Revenue Bill, it is, perhaps, en. cae "will get there" somehow, der' have left only the former panese industrial reparations And it is feared that as the Japanese banks and office build- as quickly as possible. But was to get it on the statute book, world splits into two hostile ings as traces of their pro- what good will this do, in the

Technicians

Occasionally you meet pedestrian in Chinese clothes back on the China market, whose gait and toothbrush shortly. Then we shall doubtmoustache mark him out as a less start another anti-Japanese Japanese. He is one of the boycott." techniciana kept behind by the "Ay-ah," he sighed ruefully, Chinese authorities. Accord- "it all reminds me too much of ing to the local police there are 1935."-United Press. 845 such Japanese living in Peiping, including women and

Travellers from the domain of Gen. Yen Hsi-shan of mountainous Shansi Province to the west report that the "Model Governor" has a Japanese military bodyguard to accompany him when he ventures near the

fighting zones. fighting both on the Nationalist | rice supplies of the world. and the Communist side in Shantung Province. These unconfirmed reports also place Japanese soldiers of fortune in Manchuria and in northern

Not Far

No foreign visitor worth his salt will leave Pelping without a few hours spent in Embroimouth-watering assortment gorgeous Japanese obi.

Aside from this the Japanmunist Party's great leader and ese, physically speaking, have taken the long road back across the water to their home islands. Psychologically The Chinese look at their

"The foreign policy of the country and find it being drainpersistent struggle for stable cession and bad government.

task successfully, our armied hear that the Japanese have assured him it wasn't true.

"They will, though," he con-

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the game. But players of a cer-

ing to beat their contract

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trying to make one of your own.

In close questions, it is well to

bear in mind that always the de-

Having your side become the

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authorities"

I fided. "MacArthur, will send them to fight the Kunchantang (Chinese Communist Party). Then the Japanese will be sent Japan's surrender, the historic to fight the Russians. The Ja-Russians."

This simple line of reasoning serves Chinese Communist purposes. As Japan shows propaganda may be counted on press. Authoritative assurances stealthy terror to cities and to picture the United States as grooming the Japanese mili-

A Chinese professor, discuss-

Communist Line

long run? The reparations will be swallowed up quickly by the civil war. I would not be surprised to see Japanese goods



"That Dinwiddle always was a rotten loser!"

Oriental Tradition, The Meaningless Of Time, Does Not Make Easy The Flow Of

Rice For Hungry Millions

According to press reports a of vital moment to hungry thing of the process whereby meal collection totals seldom certain number of Japanese Europe, no less welcome is the paddy comes from up-country more than twenty-five tons. artillery and other experts are contribution of Siam to the to the mills.

> agined that warehouses in esc shop-keepers, who, in their it becomes evident how vast Bangkok are bursting with the turn, consign it to paddy-boat must be the paddy-boat fleet grain, that merchants are with- owners, who transport it to the capable of handling even a bare holding the precious commodity | Bangkok mills. for purely selfish motives.

> overcome before the grain can seldom well educated, is some- for the reason that he is enbe made ready for shipment thing of a fatalist, has tilled his abled to collect the paddy from abroad.

collection and transport of the paddy that emerges as the rice of commerce after passing through the mill.

Paddy arrives at the mills in a trickle where, given modern mothods of collection and transportation, it might well become a flood.

Paddy Boat

Sinm, with its millions of and democratic peace and for | Increasingly they regard the small farmers, is a land where strengthening friendly coopera. Nationalist superstructure as roads and railways are few tion among nations, is en- being propped up solely by and far between; where, so far support of progressive forces Japan and find it at least uni- cultivator is at the mercy of the paddy-boat owner, a tem-"Our armed forces have the A ricksha puller, trotting peramental individual far more influenced by his own personal ful labour of the Soviet people ping, called over his should- convenience than by the speedy delivery of his cargoes.

That rice is not being delivered for shipment as readily as it might be, is rather a problem of paddy than of rice, so

West's, bid happened to be

somewhat shaded for a free bit

'over South's diamond overcall,

especially at the range of two.

But East could not know that.

Trumps, opportunity was knock-

ing at East's door. He could have

doubled it on general principles,

cr else just played against it. Had

proper action later, could have

got his side three tricks in that

suit, one in diamonds, one in

spades and two in clubs—a total

of seven, seiting the contract two.

alight chance to score when his

own pariner could make a free

bld. But he hopefully reached

out at 3-Hearts, with the idea that

didn't, however, yet got set a

trick by tosing two in diamonds

and one mich in the other sults.

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two orginal passers had

West-might go to 4-Hearts.

East should have realized that

When North stuck in that 2.No

With every bushel of wheat | that it is helpful to know some- | at the end of it all, this piece-

Speaking generally, it passes tides, seasons and the obvious While there is ample paddy through the hands of the far- limitations of the number of in Siam, it should not be im- mors, thence to the small Chin- paddy-boat trips in the year,

The Siamese farmer does not If the paddy-boat owner encomplain at the snail-like pro- joys an obvious monopoly of tremendous difficulties must be gress of the transaction: He is the farmer's patronage, it is little piece of land—as his out-of-the-way places not The problem revolves around fathers before him-from time served by railways or roads, immemorial.

He may own the land, or he additional advantage of cheapmay, have mortgaged it while ness. . still retaining the tilling rights, for which he pays in kind from the paddy he raises. On Barter

by the millers be regarded as To all intents and purposes hel unsatisfactory, he simply stops lives on barter, only needing to plying his trade until the mardispose of his produce if re- ket rises, meanwhile turning quiring something by way of his hand to transporting some-

exchange. His muterial needs are very | If and when he learns that

He has no interest in market up-grade, he hurriedly crams rates, the price at which he his boat with dry goods and sells his paddy being dependent makes his way up-country to upon his mood and the urgency take advantage of a rising of his need for the money.

overheads. will keen him in the simple export.

style to which he is accustomed, he is content.

fore, on barter. Money is practically non-

existent, his sole excursions the paddy-boat man is master into commerce revolving around of the situation, the Siamese the small Chinese shopkeeper Joseph of the Bangkok granawho runs an establishment ries. known as "The Rarn Crum" (literally a dry goods, store paddy is transformed into rice, dealing in edibles). a pheno- the grain passes to the ports, menon of the East, and not to the lighters, to the ships,

only sells everything under the sun-from needles to noodles, with agricultural aquipment as Memoria. lender and depository for the farmer's produce. he done so, a heart opening, with

the paddy when harvested. He does better, getting, control of the produce before it is even planted! As he pays no cash for it and keeps no accounts, he shares in one characteristic of his farmer neighbour. in that he, likewise, is quite unconscious of overheads. His decision to dispose of the pad- known child.

ways and, as he makes a living in and with the community, it, out process whereby paddy is li and for the Caeche it will as

delivered to the mills.

The paddy-boat owner is an Prague's Archbishop Josef unconscious autocrat. These Beran fathered the idea last born in their boats, were autumn after reading an All and eventually die in the little child victims of the little child victims. and eventually die in the little child victime of the war. A craft that ply up and down the Catholic "Charita" was commit-They buy a little consign-

market. He keeps no accounts, and . In such manner prices rise certainly has no idea of his and fall in accordance with supply and demand, and millers So long as his year's crop are enabled to sell forward for

the price of paddy is on the

Without considering distance,

and that his services have the

The Master

owner! Should the prices paid

thing else.

A shrewd fellow, the boat-

Exceptionally, farmers offer their paddy to the millers di-The economic life of the rect, or millers themselves send Siamese farmer is based, there- up-country to purchase from the growers.

Broadly speaking, however,

From the mills, where the to be compared with the village eventually reaching the hungry, millions in the famine-stricken This Chinese go-between not stream of the world.

Other wars produced unknown soldiers - this one produced the un-

dy is arrived at in devious On May 21 Czechoslovakie will dedeate the world's first monument to the unknown child, an appeals. is a matter of indifference to him whether he sells of not.

In the event, however, that dispose of the crop, the paddy-host owner is relied in front of the ling little statue in front of the little statue boat owner is called in-a de- died in concentration campe and cisive step in the long-drawn- on war fronts during World War,

Devious Ways Seldom does he actually buy

Prague, Apr. 30.

bloned and thetalled the statue.
The Unkriben Child will Atand



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"There'll never be POLITICAL PENETRATION OF GERMANY BY SOVIETS

John Dulles On Lessons Of Moscow

New York, Apr. 30. John Foster Dulles, American adviser at the recent Moscow Foreign Ministers conference said today that Soviet leaders are using political penetration "to get the kind of Germany they want.

Dulles, Republican adviser to the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Marshall, said in a radio broadcast that the American delegation to Moscow, while disappointed at the conference results, "did not come home empty-handed."

Other Gains

Dulles listed other gains at

tremendous value in the future

tained as a reality not as

sham The United States

delegation was held to a steady

course that was largely due to

the calm yet strong leadership

London, Apr. 30.

A message of solidarity was

sent today by the National Coun-

out the world as a May Day

The message contains an ex-

pression of confidence that Bri-

times to a civilised and socialist

GERMAN

of the German authorities.

"It is untrue to assert that

the British and United States

military governments could get more food for Germany than

they do at the moment," Gen-

"The British and American

military governments have, dur-

ing the past two years, made

the most strenuous efforts to

obtain all possible food im-

ports for Germany, and they

limited only by the ability to

get goods, and not by financial

considerations-in spite of the

crushing burdens imposed in

this way on the British and

Hampered

visory council quite clearly that

the efforts of the two military

governments are at present

seriously hampered because the

hungry world know that .Ger-

"I must tell the zonal ad-

"The volume obtained is

cral Bishop said.

are continuing them.

American taxpayers.

BLUNT STATEMENT TO

zonal advisory council were bluntly told by

the British Deputy Chief-of Staff, Major-Gen-

eral W.A. Bishop, that the recurring food

crises in the British zone were mainly the fault

tive Union.

He declared:

the "establishment

He added: "The assets we Council of Foreign Ministers bring back is a better under-, disagree and takes a recess." standing of how the Soviet foreign policy works. It depends little on getting results by diplomatic negotiation. It depends much on getting results by penetrating into the political parties and labour organizations of the other coun-

"The Soviet leaders have closer relations with France." such confidence in these methods that they were willing to let Germany again become a great industrial power. They are using those methods now to get the kind of Germany they want."

Economist Dulles said the dominant political party and labour unions in the Soviet zone of Secretary of State Marof Germany "are already sub. shall." -- Associated Press. ject to the Soviet will" and "it is much the same in the French

Dulles asserted "in the British—United States zones Soviet influence is growing Message

From this, he said, the Ameienn people should conclude that we cannot feel complacent merely because, at conferences, we have stopped surendering our principles.

"Soviet activity is not suspended merely because the

LESS SCOTCH AT HOME

London, Apr. 30.
Briton will go drive than ever tontorrow when more Scotch whinky in taken off home sales to go in search of hard currency.

The actual reduction puts the domentia numble at onequarter of the amount distributed in 1939, or about one-half of the present allocation.—Reuter,

the Moscow conference as the IIIMIN O DIAII "We all want Four-Power Servants unity whenever it can be ob-

London, Apr. 30. The Government has authorised the Viceroy, Lord Mountbatten, to announce that it accepts the obligation to see that European of-

pensation for loss of their careers | craft. services in India, who retire, will tained throughout the war.-Reube secured in their rights to the ter. cil of Lubour to workers through. leave then due to them.

message. The Council represents the Labour Party, the Trades Government of India has Inform-Union Congress and the Coopera- ed the British Government that it is most anxicus to avoid the loss of experienced officers and "The National Council of loss of experienced officers and Labour calls upon organisations is prepared to give to those memof the working class everywhere bers of the Secretary of State to renew their pledges of loyalty services who continued to serve to the fundamental principles of under the Government, of India the same terms as to scales of message in part, "and in faithful comradeship so to guide the pay, leave, pension rights and policy of their organised move- safeguards in matters of disments that the still unconquered cipline as hitherto.

perialist domination and capital- ing asked to give a similar assur- to limit to US\$200,000,000 the ance to the officers continuing to American funds for post-UNRRA serve their provinces.

In the House of Lords, Lord between now and June, 1948. Listowel, Secretary for India, said The Government had sought that he hoped to make a very US\$350,000,000 for the pro-—Reuter.

LEADERS

Hamburg, Apr. 30.

Two Million

- London, Apr. 30. About 2,000,000 people - 40 per cent of them women - were employed in the aircraft industry at the peak production period in 1944, says a booklet entitled "Aircraft Builders" just published by His Majesty's Stationary Office.

This figure represents one-tenth of the total peacetime labour force of Britain. It made aircraft prcduction by far the biggest industry in the country, employing more people than agriculture and coal mines put together.

The booklet tells how Britain's air striking force was built up. On an average, one in every two ficers and Indian officers in the or three families throughout Bris three special categories of the tain had some member of the Indian Civil Service receive cem- family engaged in producing nir-

and prospects, consequent on the When war broke out Britain transfer of power from the Britain technical advantage bear transfer of power from the Bri- had a technical advantage betish to Indian hands next year. cause she started rearming much This was announced in both later than Germany, with the re-Houses of Parliament today. The sult that her nireraft, although Covernment also undertakes that greatly outnumbered, were of members of the Secretary of State later design. This lead was main-

Washington, Apr. 30. The House of Representatives on roll call today reaffirmed by rellef in war devastated countries 10% Round Trip Reduction

early announcement about com- gramme. Today's action of the pensation for services in Burma. House of Representatives conduring the criticism of sending American aid to countries described as being under the "domination of Russia."

> relief to "those countries whose governments are deminated by Tels. 58330 and 58081-Ex. 22 the Soviet Union" unless they agree to American control of the supplies.

The House passed the measure with the lower figure by n vete of 333 to 66. It now goes to the Senate, whose Foreign Helations Committee has already approved fully the US\$350,000,000 figure. -Reuter.

American Example

. Washington, Apr. 30. President Truman, toasting the Mexican President, Senhor Miguel Aleman, at a White House state dinner last night, said if the friendship and unity of the western hemisphere is matched in the rest of the world "we would have no more trouble."

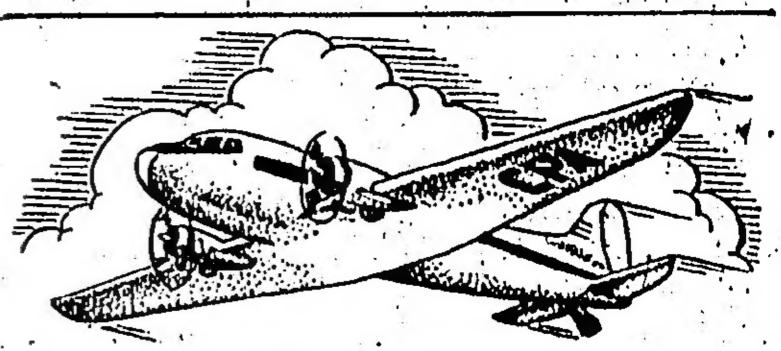
Mr. Truman said: "I think we can set an example for the other side of the world because our neighbours to the north and south are not afraid of us. They are friendly with us, They believe we are honest in our endeavour to be friendly with them."

Earlier, Senhor Aleman received an enthusiastic welcome from 600,000 people lining the route from the nirport to the White House.-United Press.

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Washington, Apr. 30. .. Representative Christian Herter, of Massachusetts, today introduced a bill orcating a preference system under the immigration quotes so that the 10 per cent of the quota of each nationality for each year would be issued to immigrants "whose admission is deemed by the Secretary of State to be desirable in connection with the scourity of the United States, and to aliens whose services are urgently needed in the United States by commercial, industrial, financial and educational institutions or firms." -United Press.

authorities responsible for the distribution of grain to the Communist many lags behind the expected deliveries by her farmers of home-grown grain and, indeed, of all home-grown food." keep the normal ration at the Indicted

level of 1,550 calories was
"very regrettable," General
Bishop said that part of the cause was the existence of the black market—Reuter.

Washington, Apr. 30.

The Federal Grand Jury today indicted Eugens Dennis, Secretary of the Communist Party of the United States; on charges of contempt of Congress.

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NATIONALISATION

(By Sydney Gampell)

London, Apr. 30. he nationalisation of the Bank of England today produced its first visible effect. For the first time since its establishment in 1694, the Bank has issued an annual report.

eature of the report, which is for the year ended February 28; 1947, is a review of Britain's external finance during that year. It lists the monetary agreements or other arrangements with the United States, Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Egypt, France, Hungary, Iraq, the Netherlands, Portugal, Sweden and Switzerland.

A further review of

As regards the Bank of Eng-

closed, -Reuter.

little more trade.

On the whole the tendency of

the markets on the first day of

a new account was more choorful

and generally speaking there was

The main turnover in the mar-

In foreigners, Chinese rose further two points but Japanese

were hesitant. The feature among

rise in Pland Sevens.

rubbers remained dull ...

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE

South African gold

regular in final dealings

Europeans was a further sharp

Industrials turned a trifle ir-

tobaccos dull but brewerles were

harder. Oils were well supported

throughout the day and thus

closed firm with India taking

more interest in that market, but

were aufetly steady but-coppera

ket for British funds was h

It notes that "most of the | vise," the report said. recent monetary agreements Italy has since been added to have provided for the use of the list, and Brazil will doubteterling (by agreement of the less be added as soon as an contracting parties) for pay- agreement is reached in the ments between the other coun- present negotiations on Brazil's try concerned and places out- sterling balances, side the sterling area."

of the Anglo-Argentine agree-ment of last September, "all when it appeared that the sterling received by Argentina agreement was operating in ac-(including the interest on the cordance with the plans and inpre-agreement accumulated bal- tentions of the contracting ances) was made freely avail- parties," the report stated. able for payment of current . Home Operations

· Under the subsequent agree- land's home operations, notes ment (subject to ratification) of £10 and upwards ceased to ed Argentine railways, "the and the old type of \$5, note 12.1/16n: Mercantile Bank A. & B. 20 % as agreed purchase price should from March, 1946 but "notes standing accumulated balances, ceased to be legal tender con- Fire Ins. \$30n.

tions relating to the use of ly below before the war sterling outside the sterling figures while the circulation of 41b, 41/42% as; China Providents 25% 4. area had been "increasingly &5, &1 and 10/- notes is far 24sa; Shanghat Dockyards 16%n; H.K. numerous and a wide range of above, it said. them has been permitted, in The necessary financial ar- tially on the prewar pattern, rangements were made in May the report declared. for the reopening of an international coffee market and in November for the reopening of

The report recalled also the introduction, on February 27, published reserves now amount of transferable accounts "in order to facilitate as wide an extension as possible" of the field over which people outside the sterling area can use their current sterling accruals. This is the method by which Britain Market is articlestorily fulfilling her obligation under the Anglo-American loan agreement, make current sterling expendable for current phyments as

both on a basis of sterling pay-

from July at the latest. Freely Transferred

"Subject only to a report to short-dated stocks where there the Bank of England," current sterling in such "transferable accounts" can be freely transferred anywhere in an area which compromises the United States, Central America, Argen. tina, Canada and Newfoundland, the entire sterling area and the Belgian, Netherlands and Portuguese monetary areas. "In order to ensure that, these transfer facilities are used only in respect of current transactions, the new designation has been applied only to those accounts which monetary authority or exchange control in a particular were inclined to lose ground;country is prepared to super. Reuter.

MORE YANKS Canberra, Apr. 110.

Opening the Australian drive for American immi-Minister told Parliament today that. Australia is offering American ex-servicemen admission without landing permits, provided they are destrable and able to support themselves. They will also get re-establishment benefits.

Booklets are being prepared for American citizens to encourage them to go to Australia. Press and radio will support the current drive .- United Press.

For example, from the date Anglo-Swedish monetary agree- H.K. Stock

. The market was strong throughout day with a big volume transacted Wharves which rise \$20.00, China Lights up \$1 %, Electries up \$3.60, Telephones up \$6,00 and Dalry Parms up \$6 1/2. Closing Rates 4 p.m.:

H.K. Gorl. Leaner 4% Loan 107 %n 24% Loan 103%b. Banks: H.K. & B. Bank 1890b, 1860/90 for the sale of the British-own- be legal tender from May, 1945 sa, (Lon. Rex.) 1101(m) Chartered Bank

Insurances: Canton Ins. 470a; Union absorb the whole of the out- of all denominations that have Inc. 795b; China Underwriters in; H.K. Shippinge Douglases 250b; H.K. & M.

Notes of £10 and upwards in 105/14n; Union Waterboats C. Rts. 50k. The report said that applica- circulation are shown as sharp- 80ss, ex. Rts. 22b, 28a, Rts. 18b. Docks, Wharves, Godawns, etc.t H.K. & Docks ex. Rts. 36ss, Rts. 18 1/14 1/2 sa.

"With the return to more Minings Raub Mines 7b, 7sa; If.K. many cases with advantage to normal conditions, the main Lands, Hotels & Bidgs.; H. & S. Hotels the United Kingdom interna- sensonn movements in the cir- 25 %b, 26s, 20/26 % /26 % sa; H.K. Lands tional merchanting business. culation reappeared substan- 14 %b, 03/94sa; Shanghal Lands 43/6; Humphreys Estates 20 1/2 #: H.K. Realtles 24 140, 24 14 sa : Chinese Estaten 180h. Public Utilities: H.K. Tramways 77s The trend of the London dis- 17/7714/76sa; Peak Trams (Old) 10 %h. count market in recent years (New) 414n; Star Ferries 120b, 11918 had been towards "a smaller Yaumati Ferries 5th; China Lights (Old) the London rubber market, number of discount houses, H.K. Electrice 68 16 b, 50 % a. 50/60/50 a. each disposing of considerably Macao Electrics 22b; Sandakan Lights 1b;

greater resources. The mar- Telephones (Old) 59b, 54/60ss, (New) 55b, ket's resources in capital and Industriales Canton Ices 6% b : Cemente 26b, 2614s; H.K. Ropes 15%b, 1644. to £25,750,000," it was dis-Stores &c.: Dalry Farms 67s. 60/60 4se: Watsons 51b, 60/62/61an; Lane, Crawfords 2014b, 39/40sa; Binceres 10b; China Emportum 10n; Bun Co., Ltd. 7b; Kwona Bang Hong 280h, Wing On (H.K.) 110h; Wnt. Powell, Ltd. 414b.

Back

London, Apr. 30. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, returned to today and said he hoped to review the Moscow conference for the House "if a debate can be ar-

countries." Sir Waldron Smithers (Cons.) said he had received first-hand information that anti-Soviet Poles had been victimized in tha Polish elections. He asked M-Bevin to make plain Britain's

Mr. Bevin replied that would do his best and added:-"I must remind the House that Argentina's current sterling re- tion to the Bank of England." Blesmboats 11n; Indo Chinas (Pref.) when you have had a great deal it is very difficult to settle all these problems at once."-- Unit-

SALONIKA

Athens, Apr. 30.

The Air Minister, Panayotis | s.s. "RESOLUTE"

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but the market was generally A high Government source says that Britain's ecoexport programme.

sequently a bigger export volume would rule

The informant then emphasized | giving 'industry as much of its quickly that the "mood of . the requirements as possible, so help-Cabinet at present is hard against ing production and exports." asking the United States for a The Cabinet, he went on, is

higher level of industrial produc- their efforts to step up output. thought possible.

Britain's recovery prospects, he Press.

1. Coal output is rising. 2. Labour recruitment for the Car Y. Stock pectations and the present rate of increase—about 1,000 weekly— Market number of miners from the planned ceiling of 588,000 to more

3. Among the fectults, a large number of trained examiners are | earnings boosted steels, Motors and some returning to the industry-and this will enable more new coul faces to be cpened up. 4. Conversion of 1,700 major

industrial plants from coal to diesel oil consumption is expected to save the country more than 8.000.000 tons of coul over a 12 month peritd. The conversion programme has been speeded up and is expected to be completed by early 1948. As crude oil supplies are obtained from soft currency countries, no drain on Bri- Loconottie 1614, Barnadall 24, Bendix tain's dellar resource is taking Aviation in Bent Beet 68%, Doeing

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House of Commons ranged for a convenient date."

Bovin said: "His Majesty's Goeernment are continuing to judge by results and are, discussing outstanding questions with the with a de- SS "President McKinley" zire to reach a solution in the interests of the people of both

GRENADE IN

One officer was killed, seven wounded scriously and 12 others injured today when their truck was hit by a grenade in

Canellopoulos, left for Salonika by plane immediately to direct an investigation. The Minister of Public Order, Mr. Napoleon Zervas, described the attackersas "anarchists."--United Press.

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(By Arthur Gavshon) London, May 1.

nomic planners might decide to risk part of her planned .. 15,000,000 ton coal reserve earmarked for next winter in a bid to boost her

Achievement of greater industrial output and conout any need for a new American loan.

against asking for a new Ameri-That mood, he went on, is un- can loan because the psychologi-

declined by definite prospects cal impact on Britain's workers that the country will achieve a would be to make them relax on tion this stimmer than was A new loan would, moreover, "delay Britain's ultimate re-These factors have improved covery," he added .- Associated

Brocks closed a losing sponth with a slow inpring rally. Beleeted leaders walned one to three or more points: Wage settlements and good first quarter top lifeustrials inles were up. Transfects totalled 780,000 shares.

Uhited Bieles Bieel reported first quarter earnings of \$6.78 and gainet 1% bn the market. The market continued to be largely a professional affair. The Dow Jones averages t Stucks CB.UK. 29 Tudustriale 170,68, 15 Raila 45.12, 10 Triffice an. Da. 'Adabis' Express 12%, Alaska Juneau

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Court At Kepulse Bay

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An officer in the Royal Army Medical Corps testified to his

shown him on April 29 was to him, conspiracy to defraud had shape and should have his more likely to be that of a her of \$1,000 between Nov. 24, whole horoscope rend. The the Hon. Colonial Secretary. 4th May | Chinese than a European.

Witness said he was told the fortune-telling. set of bones were found in a They were further charged When the couple returned on well at 16 Shouson Hill. Judg- with obtaining by false pre- the 1st day of the 11th moon, ing from the size and weight tences the sums of \$220 and as per instructions, they were of the bones, the skeleton in- \$150, respectively, from Ho Sze told that the "reading" was not dicated a person of very light and Yuen Lai-chong; conspir- completed and asked to return build and below 5 feet 4 inches ing to defraud these two wo- on the following day, declared in height, probably a Chinese, men; and falsely representing witness. At the next visit they Questioned by the Court, he to be able to restore to Yuen agreed it might be possible that the bones of a European of Wong Hei-chuen, in evidence, first defendant said was a great small build could be confused stated that she went to visit the disciple of the goddess "Lui

with that of an Asiatic. of the opinion that these bones have her business fortune told. did not belong to a person of European nationality and had assumed that they were the

bones of a Chinese, The Court visited the Repulse Bay area again yesterday King's out to the Court the direction route by the pipeline which he King's were:-

had followed downhill. land-mines at the Repulse Bay kinson, H.K.R.N.V.R., Vice Adand Island Road confluence and mira Sir Dennis Boyd, K.C.B., the place on the road where he C.B.E., D.S.C., Lady Boyd, Miss met the commander of a Boyd and Lt. Hugh Glbson, Commet the commander of a the operations.

day morning.

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Russell-Vassilieva

the Roy Farrell Export-Import T. N. Chau, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. S. her doubts. The first of these Central yesterday. The \$50 was Co., and Miss Margueritta N. Chau, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. C. G was the mysterious appearance of ordered to be donated to the Poor Vassilieva took place in St. S. Follows and Miss Follows, the characters representing the Box. According to Mr. Hum-Cathedral yesterday. Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Victor Kenniff, The Very Rev. Dean Rose Mr. and Mrs. D. W. MacIntosh. officiated.

The bride wore a gown of white brocaded satin with a veil of white tulle and a coronet of Owen-Hughes, Acting Commandorange blessom. She was at- ant, H.K.V.D Corps. Order No. tended by Miss A. Brewin, 14/47 dated May 1, 1947.

of Honour. The bride was A.S. Pte. Johnstone, F.M.V. These The package was then handed to

acted as best man. The reception was held in the Hong Kong Hotel. For her going-away dress, the bride 11. Rifle and ammunition will be front of "Lui Tso". On opening wore a two-piece suit in sky available.

A.P.C. ROBBED

Five Chiu Chau, people were each sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. d'Almada at Central for 'breaking into' and stealing a quantity of belting and cther goods' to a total value of \$1,650.60, from the A.P.C. Instalation, North Point, between

Match 21 and 23. admitted a . previous conviction was also given six menths for being an accessory after the fact.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Peninsula Hotel arrivals (Wednesday) H.H. Borst, Mrs. W. Krylard, K. Ravn.

Peninsula Hotel departures (Wednesday) r R.M. Gordon, Leonard Chan, Drand Mrs. W. Bergglas; Mrs. Huiller, Mr. and Mrs. W. Bergglas; Mrs. Huiller, Mr. and Mrs. S.L. Leung, I.G. Haboock, B. Muorp-Bmith, Mrs. Edith Holmes, W.J. Cabrion, R.G. Beil, Mrs. T. Mahan.

The following passengers due to leave this inextling for United Kingdom and Oalo, by the

Fortune-Tellers

Mysticism, black-magic, and almost incredible credulity and childlike faith in the powers of fortune tellers to invoke the ald of the gods form the nucleus of what DSI J. M. Forrest alleged was one of the most astounding frauds perpetrated by two fortune-tellers on three gullible women when Wong Tak alias Wong Chuen-yan and Ting Kin-kwan alias Wong Sang appeared before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday on eight charges of false prefences, conspiracy to fraud and fortunetelling between Nov. 24, 1946 and April 1, 1947. Wong Tak, alleged to be a visit her four-year-old daughter

Holy Man

were introduced to the second

from Lo Fau Shan, the well-

such powerful spirits could only

be in the-region of \$540.

sprinkled with water.

sacrifices, the cost of which would

of the "monk" to invoke the aid

When she doubted the ability

Found In Water

The second miracle, said Wong.

was the re-appearance of a \$10

the package, said witness, she

This packet the second accused

and the numerous small devils.

charms and a handful of

which he wrampell blessed,

previous evening, was found.

ancestral home.

tinue with her cylleneb.

On the following night, said

Wong, she again returned to 479

handed to her When she return-

her presence when a U.S. silver

dollar, which was not there the

This coin, alleged the witness, was claimed by the "monk" as

which," together with

have stated to witness.

some days later.

opinion as to the probability of self-styled monk, and Ting Kin- died and so she did not call the skeleton being that of an kwan, a fortune-teller of 479 again until some time later. stated that a human skeleton and to restore a large fortune was that the husband was in for the year 1947. 1046 and April 1, 1947; and charge for this was \$10.

Lai-chong her lost daughter.

second accused on the 10th day He had certified that he was of the 10th moon last year to Three or five days after this

Among those attending last fortune and that the couple had of the Japaneese offensive to- night's gala premiere of "A Mat- to appease the devils with burnt ward Repulse Bay Road and the ter of Life and Death" at the offerings. The cost of this ap-

His Excellency the Governor, ness, was the modest sum of He also led the Court to the Lady Young, Miss Young, Mr. A., \$150 which she, in her anxiety spot where he had come upon Tolld and Lieutenant R. B. Par- to protect her husband, paid modore D. H. Everett, Japanese anti-tank unit during D.S.O. and Lt. Diamond, Brigadier H. F. C. Rogers, Capt. Dar-The Court sits again on Mon- win (ADC), Air Commodore S. N. Webster and F/Lt. Bridge, Sir Henry Blackall, Mr. Justice E. H. Williams and Mrs. Williams, Hon. be appeased by more prayers and Mr. D. M. MacDougall, C.M.G., Hon, Mr. J. B. Griffin and Mrs. Griffin, Hon. Mr. A. Morse, C.B.E. Lanuale, Col. E. N. Clarke, Miss of the gods, after he had asserted R. Wadeson, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. M. that another \$4,000 were needed Russell, managing director of Mrs. M. K. Lo. Hon Mr. and Mrs. nerformed two "colorates" to the Box Barrell of Mrs. M. K. Lo. Hon Mr. and Mrs. nerformed two "colorates" to the Box Barrell of Mrs. M. K. Lo. Hon Mr. and Mrs. nerformed two "colorates" to the Box Barrell of the Mrs. M. K. Lo. Hon Mr. and Mrs. nerformed two "colorates" to the Box Barrell of the Mrs. M. K. Lo. Hon Mr. and Mrs. nerformed two "colorates" to the Box Barrell of the Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. and Mrs. nerformed two "colorates" to the Box Barrell of the Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. and Mrs. and

H.K.V.D.C. ORDERS Orders by Lieut. Colonel H.

1. National Rifle Association. bridesmald, and Miss Zaharoff, Overseas Rifle and Postal Matches charms, had been thrown into a flower-girl - both in pink 1947. Practice Shoots. The fol- nullah by her husband five mintafetta dresses and carrying lowing will represent the Corps in utes before. In the fortunecurnation posies - while Mrs. the above Practice Shoots:-Capt, teller's flat, she said, she was ask-A. Kishko acted as second K.M.A. Barnett, Sgt. Lemay, G.A., ed by the "monk" to produce a Cpl. Lau, M.S., Cpl. Quah, F.E. \$10 note, note the number, and CC., Cpl. Leung, K.H., Pte. Wald, hand it to him. He seemingly J., Pto. Waid, N., Pte. Cottain, wrapped this in a piece of red Mrs. L. Zaharoff was Matron R.P., Pte. Baleros, J.P., Pte. Hoc., paper together with two charms. practice shoots will be held on witness's husband with instrucde Lieul, while Mr. W. Dobson Stonecutters Rifle Range on Satur- tions to throw it into a nullah. day, May 10 and Sunday, May 11. |On his return with the first accus-Launch will leave Queen's Pler at ed five minutes later, a similar below :-2.30 p.m. on Saturday. May 10 red package was found at the bound at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, May tom of a bowl of water placed in

2. Colonial Smooth Bore found her \$10 note inside. Matches, Open Sight Competition: The above Officer and Other Ranks was alleged to have told witness have been entered to represent the was returned by the five big gods Corps in the Practice Shoots for this match, further details of which will be given later.

Part 2 Orders, Order No. 14/47: 1. Arrival. DR38 Pte. Lee, 'F. Arrived in Hong Kong on 19/4/47, accused produced a small 2. Strength-decrease. 4054. Ptc. board box containing two paper 24/4/47. 1574 Ptc. Silva, L.A. dh No. 5 Coy. w.c.f. 25/4/47. Another Chiu Chau man who 25/4/47. 3892 Pte. Xavier, A.G. No. 6 Coy. W.c.f. 80/4/47.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS

Leave: - C.I. (R) Chau Ching which the husband lost in his Chiu has been granted two weeks' previous life when he was drownleave of absence from April 21, ed during his escape after killing 1947 to May 5, 1947, inclusive, to his mul-trai in the gardens of his go to Shanghal on business. of At this Etnee, further hearing Traffic Duties :- Members No. 1 Company will parade for was adjourned to the afternoon Traffic Duties as detailed by their of May 6, when witness will con-Company, Commander:

Band Practice: Mombers parade for Band Practice in the Club (8 Connaught Road, 2nd Floor) on Wednesday, May 7, 1047 at 17.30 hours; under Mr. White (Bandmaster) 2nd Bth. The Wast Yorkahire Regiment.

Yesterday's Council Meeting

redemption in the war 'years, passed its first reading.

1934 a portion of 1/25th of Shanghai Street, first floor, On the second visit she was was obviously not possible dur- LADHAD-DATU and SEMPORNA via Sandakan. Major A. S. Moody, R.A.M.C., were accused of falsely repre- accompanied by her husband, ing the years 1942-46, and the said be made out a certificate senting to Wong Heischuen that After Ting had explained her object of the Bill was to remedy which he handed to Capt. Dig- they had the power to rid her horoscope to her, she asked, him the situation by including the

was the Bill, amending dinance 1946.

The Hon. Attorney-General told Council that in 1946 the Pawabrokers Ordinance 1930 was amended for the purpose of encouraging, the resumption of pawnbrokers, the effect being to reduce that period within accused who, said witness, the which goods in pawn were to not intended to be permanent Tso" and who had just arrived and was to expire on Oct. 31 this year, unless extended by an M.V. "HINDUSTAN" ... Now loading at Sydney, known monastery. This suporder of the Governor-inposedly "holy man" would ex-

plain their horoscope to them. The present Bill was to make the first accused was alleged to Continuing, Wong declared that the "monk" told them that the husband was beset by ill

Ordinance 1930. The Hon. Colonial Secretary

peasement, according to witsecond and third reading.

The power of these evil spirits was, according to witness, reveal- sworn in yesterday. They were ed by the "monk" three days later Brigadier H. C. Rogers, acting when he told them that whilst G.O.C. in the absence of Majorthe TGeneral Erskine, and Dr. Isaac worshipping at Castle Peak the TGeneral Erskine, and Dr. Isaac "holy lamp" was blown out. He Newton, new Director of declared, alleged witness, that Medical Services.

Council adjourned to May 8.

OFFERED BRIBE

Plending guilty to offering a bribe of \$50 to Tseng Kam-hung, clerk of the L. & E. Department, on April 29, Yu Tung-sang, 61 was fined_\$300 or three weeks' Mrs. M. K. Lo, Hon, Mr. and Mrs. performed two "miracles" to allay hard labour by Mr. Sainsbury at her dead daughter, and a drawing money to the clerk when he wantof a dishevelled devil on a blank ed to apply for a license to sell plece of paper after it had been tobacco.

> For attempting to steal a pay book from AB Philip Woolley, of H.M.S. "Adamant", while the latter was looking at the show windows of a shop in Johnston Road on Wednesday, Mo Sing. 26, hawker, was fined \$80 or one month's hard labour by Mr. Sainsbury at Central yesterday,

Unless - 6therwise . stated, Registered

Shanghal, 10 a.m. Tsamkong and Halphong, 2 p.m. Kongmoon, 4 p.m. Macho, Tainahan and Bhekki, 6 p.m. Canton (By Train), 4 p.m. Alrmail for Balgon and Paris, (Reg. 8 p.m., (Ord.) 8,40 p.m. Airmail for Bangkok, Ransoon, Calcut-Shanghai Street with her hus-

and Canada, Kowloon C.P.O., (Reg.) 2:30 p.m., (Ord.) 8 p.m. : G.P.O, (Reg. 1 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m. Airmail for Amoy, Mhanghal, Nanking Hankow, Talngtao and Pelping: Airmail for Chungking, (Reg.) \$ p.m., (Ord.) Airmail for Centon, Holbow and Rusthe first defendant opened it in

> Bangkok, 10 a.m. Swatow and Astoy, 10 a.m. Straits, & p.m. Shanghal, 2 p.m.

having come from the treasure Belgod and Sandakan, & p.m. Manila P.L. S. p.th. Port. Macao, Tsinshad and Shekki, 4 p.m. Canton (By Train), 4 p.m.

EAT, DRILIK & BE MERRY

Served W this Smile!

SAILINGS

dinance 1947, providing for the redemption of bonds due for [3.3. "WOSANG"

Kong- Dollar Loan Ordinance S.S. "ESANG" from Straits & Calcutta 22nd May Government bonds was to be

The motion was seconded by Pawnbrokers Amendment Or-

it clear that the amendment then passed would cease on expiry date, and the position would revert to that as, provided under the Pawnbrokers

The Bill to amend the Mercantile Marine Assistance Fund Ordinance 1933 passed the

Two new members, were

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ta, Karathi, Basta, "Calroli, Johannesburg. Augusta, Marselles, London, New York band. On this occasion, the first

> mlng, (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 8.20 p.m. BATURDAY, MAY &

Colombia enit, 10 s.m.

Airmail for Harigank, Bingapore, Colembo."Bourabaya." Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3,50 p.m. Alrmall for Salgon, Rangoon, Calcutts, Alrmall for Cabton, Kwellin and Chungking. (Reg.) 2 p.m., (Ord.) 3.80 p.m.

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TERRORISM Chief Justice On Need For Severity REVENUE

Both these men were acting on behalf of an abominable organisation calling itself the 'Overseas Youth Action Organisation,' and which is engaged in blackmailing and terrorising restaurants in Hong Kong by threatening to bomb them. Fortunately, owing to the cooperation between the Police in Canton and the Police in Hong Kong, this organisation is being crushed, but it is very necessary that when anybody helping it comes before the Courts, he be dealt with with the utmost severity."

These remarks were made by Sir Henry Blackall, Chief Justice, yesterday when he passed sentences of 18 and 10 years imprisonment with hard labour on Li Chu and Chan Piu (alias Li Kwok-kong) respectively.

The necused were charged with the Both these men were acting on pessession of arms, keeping exclubing of an abominable organiplosives, with intent to endanger | zation calling itself the 'Overseas | life and property, possession of Youth Action Organization' and explosive substance and denand, which is engaged in blackmailingand - terrorising restaurants in

ermes before the Courts, he be

No Excuse

"It is argued on behalf of the

prove useful.

London, May 1.

The South African XI

made an impressive start

to their, tour in getting

Worcestershire out for

202 and scoring 50 for

one wicket at Worcester

urove and cut splendidly.

Mr. A. Lonsdale prescuted on Hong Kong by threatening to behalf of the Crown. Mr. Hin bomb them. Shing Lo, instructed by Mr. Alfred Hon, appeared for the sex operation between the Police to ! and accused and entered a plea of Canton and the Police in Hong i Kong, this organization is being guilty to the third count. First, accused, who had pleaded crushed, but it is very necessary

guilty as charged, was not legal, that when anybody helping Outlining the case for the dealt with, with the utmost sever-

Crown, Mr. Lonstlate said that on ity. Feb. 21, a party of police, In Canton bounded a train bound for Hong Kong at the Canton Rail-' second accused that he is poor way Station and kept under ob. and possibly honest, but if poverty were to be an excuse in a servation two persons.

At Shum Chun, on the border, crime of this sort, this organizaanother party of police boarded tion would be very happily place. the train and kept these two ed, because there is no lack of luxuries, they will, I think, suspects under observation until poor youths in China. the train reached the Kowlorn to the usual scarch.

Letters Found were seized by detectives. Sec- and did not waste the time of the the range of goods taxed were debate to which all of us have ond accused was found to have 27 Court. For that reason and that letters in his girdle. From the reason alone, I sentence him to 18 first accused, a newspaper parcel years' impris: nment, on the sec. was taken. In a tin containing and count. On the ether counts, Chinese tabacco, a detonator was I sentence him to ten years' imfound. A brilliantine tin, with a prisonment, the sentences to run cealed under the brilliantine was "The second accused is dis. this debate, Indeed, the effect between us to represent the also found. In a shoe of the first charged on 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th of the Sales Tax would be that diverse views and each one of also found. In a shoe of the first charged on 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th of the amounts of tax paid would accused, a letter, written in Chin-counts, as the Crown has offered the amounts of tax paid would to be the best-interests of the tain changes in the constituese and demanding maney with no evidence. With regard to the be proportionate to the amount menaces, was found. The 27 let. third count, it may be that he which the unfortunate individual ters found on second accused were knew nothing about this organi- was forced to spend to maintain also letters demanding money zation when he was first ap his family. with menaces. The newspaper par- | proached, but it is clear from his cel taken from first accused was statement that he knew all about found to centain starch. The yel- it at the time he was bringing the lew powder found concealed un- letters dawn. However, he has

stance. The letters were not written by possession a paste board, which split on one another. The maxihad certain words which were mum sentence for this offence is centained in the 27 threatening 14 years' imprisonment, but in letters, were in the handwriting view of the information he has of second accused. The 27 let- given, I sentence him to ten years' ters all contained a stamp which imprisonment with hard labour.' bore Chinese words which, translated into English, roughly meant: "Union Young Men's Club By Order ruin British Government Fereigners Control." All letters bore the wooden chop of the "Overthe letters were addressed to Fine Start seas Youth Action Organization."

restaurants and places to which the public resorted and the threat was to cause an explosion on the premises on failure to make payment of the money demanded. Counsel's Plea

Mr Luk-pan, of 35 Village Road, 1st floor, merchant, was called as a witness of character on behalf of the second accused. Mn said on Wednesday. that the second accused, although

poor, was very honest.

In a plea for lenlency on behalf | backs. actions.

In mitigation, Mr. Hin Shing and Yarnold. Bird, an amateur, non-productive character. Lo pointed out that second accused was only 20 years old and it was not difficultite understand his

(Continued from Page 5) much more equitable will be the

Sales Tax

"Then there is the Sales Tax. This proposed tax was not intraduced in the United Kingdom primarily as a revenue. producing measure but rather to restrict the demand for consumer goods at a time when they were in very short supply. in England the tax is collected through the wholesalers but this would not be practicable, here and it would be necessary to rely on collection through,

retailers. "The opportunities for evasion, would be extensive and there than in the case, say, of the | country."-Associated Press. Pertunately, owing to the co. restaurant meals tax in respect of which large-scale evasion is nevertheless being practised. Moreover, if a general rise in the already extravagantly high cost of living were to be avoided it would be necessary to exempt a long list of articles which could be regarded mere or less as necessities.

"If Honourable Members will consider for a moment what personal allowances which, of proportion of their normal pur- fiable: And, finally, there is basis and for meeting the pended in accordance with the a fifth; of a second worse than and can be regarded purely as agree that the range of goods "The maximum sentence for which could reasonably be taxed Railway Station. After pasengers the offence which the first accus- without affecting the cost of disembarked, they were subjected ed has pleaded guilty to is 20 living would not be very extenyears imprisemment. The only sive, The luxury of yesterday thing that can be possibly said in is always tending to become H.E. THE GOVERNOR As the two left the train, they his favour is that he pleaded guilty the necessity of today, and if very wide the burden would been looking forward for some fall more heavily on the man time past not only with in-

State Lottery

Duty should be levied on luxury side Members, both official and not be better, it is asked, to der the brilliantine, was found, on given some information which the goods has not been so widely analysis, to be an explosive sut- learned Crown Counsel says may supported but unless the range of goods affected extended be-"Of course, it is always, our youd the real luxury class into -accused, but in second accused's policy to encourage criminals to the necessity class the net yield would be unlikely to be very great. A considerable increase in the staff of the L & E. Department would be necessary and would give rise to a mass of restrictions and complications which would lead constant irritation and delay. This would inevitably have a very harmful effect on the entrepot trade of Hong Kong. and I can hardly imagine that any such scheme would welcomed by the business com-

the State Lettery proposal it in fact practicable? which has been advanced by Dr. S. N. Chau. There are, of propriate and practicable is this Hong Kong of the fiture by course, many arguments against the right time to introduce the its future legislature. the institution of such lotteries, measure? both on moral and other grounds, but I agree that the In a bitterly cold wind inter- suggestion merits further con-Replying to Sir Henry, Ma sold spersed with showers, the South sideration. I would point out, sary, I need not add much to the Council that such specific that second accused was intro. Africans (who probably would however, that this is really what has already been said by provisions as have been made have preferred to be sitting quite outside the present dis- others and by myself. We have in our 1947/8 estimates for exlast by a mutual relative. When around a fire) made several cussion. It can hardly be set out in the Estimates of Ex- penditure by the newly constitufielding errors but they played seriously suggested that a penditure to which this Council ted municipality has not been alsay that he intended to join the well enough to suggest that Government should depend upon has assented the actual expendi- located to any specific purpose. Overseas Youth Action Organiza- they will be a hot proposition a lettery as one of its major ture which it is agreed that the We know, of course, that the when the sun gets on their sources of revenue. The role Colony requires to meet during Municipal Council is going to of a lottery would rather be to this financial period; and it is need in a full year far more of the second accused, Mr. Hin Athol Rowan, a slow left-supplement normal revenue in perfectly clear from a study of than the provision made in Shing Lo said that nothing could arm off-spinner, took five Word order to raise funds for a the figures that in order to meet these estimates as an initial vell, the Scottish centre-for- Army and Belgian Army draw be said to reduce the spinner, took five Word order to raise funds for a the figures that in order to meet these estimates as an initial vell, the Scottish centre-for- Army and Belgian Army draw be said to reduce the spinner, took five Word order to raise funds for a the figures that in order to meet these estimates as an initial vell, the Scottish centre-forbe said to reduce the enormity of cestershire wickets for 59 runs specific purpose, and it would that estimated expenditure ad- grant, besides what it will need ward. The Scots were two goals their specific purpose, and it would that estimated expenditure adthe charges with which second and the County, who lost their therefore be desirable to credit distonal revenue is required. It for services at present covered behind early in the first half, scoring one. The early play in accused were charges with which second and the County, who lost their therefore be desirable to credit distonal revenue is required. It for services at present covered behind early in the first half, scoring one. The early play in the charges where the covered behind early in the first half, scoring one. The early play in the charges where the covered behind early in the first half, scoring one. The early play in the charges where the covered behind early in the first half, scoring one. The early play in the charges where the covered behind early in the charges where the cove accused was charged. Second ac. Arst 6 wickets for 67, would any funds raised by this means is moreover clear—and this is by the expenditure estimates of succession. The Second is either side which booked like cused had allowed himself to be have been in a sorry mess but to some special fund. In point a point which I have been glad existing departments of Governused for doing evil things and for a fighting knock of 70 from of fact, a lottery is particularly to hear endorsed in the course ment.

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Equalise:

Some Amendments Hatting between showers behalf of a wholed and limiter steadily until rain atopped which will be proposed that of assurers one of them. Some of them states and limiter steadily until rain atopped which was the third match of assurers of the day one of them. Some of them states and has a second of the states of the second of the seco

Revolt Or No Revolt?

Batavia, May 1. Premier Sjahrir characterized as nonsense today reports published abroad that the Sundanese of West Java had

Sjahrir sald he travelled through the Sundanese country for 12 hours enroute from Jogjakarta to Batavia and "everything was completely peaceful.

A similar report of the situa tion was given by two Ameribusinessmen - William Davis, president of the Trans Asiatic Airlines, and E. Knouse, of Douglas Aircraft. They arrived with Sjahrir after a week in the interior.

Both said there were no sign of any uprising or unrest. A Republic spokesman con tacted Republican Army - Hqs and senior Indonesian officials

and their said:-- . "There are no reports of any thing but normal peaceful conwould be far more incentive ditions with the Sundanese

> some sections of the Bill a | company is referred to as corporation and in others as a company. We propose to standardise to 'errporation."

"Then there is an amendment designed to prevent a nonresident possessing a few Hong Kong shares from recovering the tax paid by claiming the full one designed to promote equity Colony's needs. as far as possible in the valuation for purposes of tax of question whether it is workable, extent the same is true also of accommodation either free or has been dealt with by my the expenditure which is con at a reduced rental provided by Hon. Friend the Colonial Secre- trolled by this Council. an employer either in a hotel or tary. He has made it very clear "There is within the frame in a house or flat."

"It falls to me to wind up a with a large family and on terest and expectation but also those with modest incomes than with a determination to do would the tax payable under justice to the important subject the Bill which is the subject of with which we are dealing, and people of this Colony. And since tion of this Council are con- plus yielded in future years it is very possibly the last de- templated. Both of these bate, and almost certainly the changes are designed to give with the votes and views and last debate of importance in the people of .. Hong -Kong a which I shall participate in this fuller share in the management "The suggestion that Custems | Council may I say that Honour- of their own affairs. Would it unofficial, who have taken part | leave it to the new Legislative in the debate seem to me to Council and to the new Municihave fulfilled most thoroughly pal Council to decide both on the intentions which I have as- the manner in which taxation cribed to them.

questions which have had to be raised is to be expended? considered by the Government

really required?

venue is really required is this needs of the Colony. a fair and appropriate method of raising it?

Clear Need

whether the revenue is neces- cerned, let me call attention to port from tailenders. Jenkins some development project of a year's working prove favour- tion of the timing of this defence which cracked. able beyond our present ex- measure. The suggestion that The English League gained a Lowrie put the Englishmen pectation, so that an actual sur- this Bill, though in itself not first-half advantage in Dublin, in front steer seven minutes Some Amenuments

plus accrues, our commitments unreasonable and perhaps even scoring twice without reply be following a free kick, but three about like to take this and our great needs are such necessary, is at the present fore the interval. At times the minutes later Automocau equalwhich unsettled them, the South opportunity of informing that this present Council will juncture inopportune and pre- Englishmen played the Irishmen leed from a free kick taken 35 and our great needs are such necessary, is at the present that this present Council will juncture inopportune and pre- Englishmen played the Irishmen leed from a free kick taken 35 and our great needs are such necessary, is at the present that this present Council will juncture inopportune and pre- Englishmen played the Irishmen leed from a free kick taken 35 and our great needs are such necessary, is at the present to be informing that this present Council will juncture inopportune and pre- Englishmen played the Irishmen leed from a free kick taken 35 and our great needs are such necessary, is at the present to be informing that this present Council will juncture inopportune and pre- Englishmen played the Irishmen leed from a free kick taken 35 and our great needs are such necessary. could be trocognack to the fall of canton in 1980.

Of Canton in 1980 to said that he was not making an epigual for leniency on the said standard of the sai

Karl Rahm, Nazi SS commander of the Terezin ghetto north of Prague was today sentenced to death by the Prague People's Court. The ghetto was used as a concentration camp for Jews, thousands of whom paged through on their way to death camps in Poland .- Renter.

the fascinating field of enquiry, stood needed very careful and raising, the mondy)

Fairest Method

many well-backed entrants. My 1947/8. Hon, Friend Dr. S. N. Chau will allow me to describe as one of the distinct favourites the in the need for thorough and method which he so ably ad- expert examination; and as this vocated, the method of a Lot- Council knows that examinatery; but it is not necessary for tion and the consequent amend- trel fulfilled all things spoken me to go through them in de- ment of the Bill were completed of him as one of the greatest tail. My Hon. Friend the Finan- before the Bill was read a first colts of all times, his chief cial Secretary has dealt very comprehensively with the various suggestions that have been made and with the intrinsic merits of the form of direct taxation which is now proposed difficult task. The work

by Government. exposition I am left, and I trust be deferred for a whole year. this Council is left, with the most appropriate expedient Council are these. which could have been brought

tics and that we do expect to considerable degree of latitude; be able to surmount them with- and it is open to the Legislaout shutting our eyes to the tive Council and to the Finance possibilities of evasion on the Committee of the moment to one hand and on the other hand exercise its influence on the exwithout undue inquisition or penditure of the Colony at al disturbance of existing habits times in the financial year, and and methods. . .

Closing No Door

"We are on the eve of constitutional changes. A munici- of the surplus which in the is to be levied, and also on the "There are four fundamental manner in which the money so

and which have to be considered closing no door. I do not my by this Council in connection self suppose, and I do not think show the way to better paths. with the subject matter of this that any member of this Coun- Everyone of us can work for cil can suppose, that the Legis- that in hope and confidence. lative Council of Hong Kong is But we must not for that reason "Firstly-Is the additional today for the last time debating, stand still and wait for brighter revenue which we seck to raise considering and deciding what lights. Ours is the responsimethod as well as what rate bility today." "Secondly-If additional re- of taxation is best suited to the His Excellency the Governor

short, but the introduction of moved that the Bill be considered "Thirdly - If the method is other methods of taxation and clause by clause in Committee. The bill was then read a third "In a rather different class is in itself fair and appropriate is even the modification of this Having passed through committee time. method of taxation will fall to "Fourthly-If it is fair, ap- be discussed and decided for the

The Timing

"And so far as the purposes "On the first .. question. of our expenditure ... are con-

question leads us at once into pressed that the Bill as it then if the word fascinating may expert examination and that properly be used in connection this would necessarily take so with taxation, the enquiry into long that it would be impossipossible alternative methods of ble if the examination were properly done for it to be completed in time for the tax to "It has been a large field with come into operation in the year

Much Latitude

"The Government concurred time a week ago.

which we are considering in forward both in the course of draw at the start to finish deeper into the league cellar by this Bill is the fairest and the this debate and outside this fourth.

that we are alive to the difficult work of our Estimates a very 1931. not only at the moment of the passing of the annual estimates go that much of the origina yield of this year's tax and al will be expended in accordance wishes of the reconstituted Legislative Council.

"Honourabe members, we are lights of today. The lights of the __Reuter. future may be brighter, and

then wound up the debate.

"The Council may be very The Financial Secretary, then

debt of obligation which we into the tapes and unscated the owe to the Committee which jockey before the start of the undertook this important and race, but he was away with the done with remarkable thorough- late at six furlongs when racing "After much consideration of ness as well as with remarkable alongside Tuder Minstrel. this question, after studying expedition. And its result has Petition was heavily backed the Dodgers to four hits. the numerous proposals that been in my judgment complete- to five to two, with Tudor have been put forward and ly to dispose of the first reason Minstrel an 11 to 8 favourite rampage and overwhelmed Philaafter hearing the Financial for which it has been suggested for the race. Saravan started at delphia 11 to 4. Pirate Erapk Secretary's able and thorough that the whole matter ought to 25 to one and Sayajirno at 33 Gustine, who has hit in 12 conse-

> "And for the rest, honourable members, if a further justification is needed for the present actions and the financial policy of the Government and of this Council, I have only this to give no explanation," he said. Winning pitcher, Trinkle,

Tudor Minstrel, favourite for this year's Derby, was in a class by himself over a distance of one mile by cantering away with Britain's first classic, the Two Thousand Guineas, here this

Newmarket, Apr. 30.

afternoon. was a case of the Minstrel first and the rest nowhere, although the second and third finish ed so close together eight to ten lengths behind the winner that the Judge had to ask for the photograph before deciding that Princess hind the winner that the judge had to ask for Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's Sayajirao, more popularly known as "Young Dante," by

In A Canter

a shirthead. While unbehten Tudor Minsrival, Sir Alfred Butt's Peti-"I have already expressed the tion, failed dismally. He dashed baseball rest of the field, only to eapitu-

to one. "The other grounds for de- The French challenger, Pari- four singles. conviction that the method ferment which have been put sien, ran on stoutly from a bad New York shoved St. Louis

Tudor Minstrel, who is own-"The point is what we are cd by Mr. John "Lucky" Dewar, Sid Gordon's double in the tying before this Council at the pre- now providing, and of course (who also bred him) covered and winning runs. sent time for establishing our all that we hope to provide in the one mile in one minute financial structure on a proper the future, will fall to be ex- 37-4/5 seconds, which is only pitchers to defeat the Reds 10 to wishes and the views of the the record time established by "And the third question, the municipality itself, And to some Sun Star in 1911. Sun Star then went on to win the Derby. Is this an omen for the Minstrel? Mr. Dewar won the Guineas and Derby with Cameronian in

Sixth In Succession successive win. It was Gordon! other Sox rockie, Sam Mele, but. Richard's 11th classic victory, ted in four runs with a triple and although he has yet to win the two singles. Derby. The trainer, Fred Dar-

After the race Mr. Dewar said: "He has certainly proved simself a grand horse. It is the casiest win in a big race for rain.

iome confidence." Sir Alfred Butt was greatly perplexed at the poor showing Chicago of Petition. "I cannot under- Breoklyn" stand his running. Make no mistake about it, this was not his true running.'

jockey, Eph agreed that the horse did not st. Louis 3 give his true running. "I can New York "The fact that I collided with Cincinnati 3 cordance with our lights-the off had nothing to do with it."

> with only minor amendments, the Legislative Council by the Financial Secretary again when he Detroit moved that it be read a third

The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau asked for a Division and, as already noted, only he, Dr. S. N. Chau and Mr. Loo d'Almada voted "No."

New York, May 1. In the National League, Bill Nicholson's two-run homer in the ninth inning gave Chicago a 3 to 1 victory over Brooklyn, Cub Rookle-Hurler Doyle Lade held

Pittsburgh went on a baiting cutive games, led the attack with

runs in the ninth to win 4 to 3. Boston clubbed three Cincinnati

In the American League, St. Louis smothered New York 15 to 5 by banging out four homers, including one with the bases loaded of Jeff Heath in the first inning. St. Louis staged a six-run rally in the fifth inning.

Red Sox Rockie Southpaw Mel Parnell pitched a four hitter as This was the Tudor's sixth Boston beat Detroit 7 to 1. An-

Chleago defeated Washington 5 ... ing, has now trained 19 classic to 2. White Sox outfielder Bob | Kennedy punched out two doubles to drive in three runs.

Philadelphia-Cleveland game was postponed because of

National League

Winning pitcher, Lade. Pitisburgh11 15 Philadelphia Winning pitcher, Benham.

American League

New York Winning pitcher, Galchouse. Winning pitcher, Pamell. Washington2 . 11: Chicago 5 10

Winning pitcher, Rigney,

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1.90 p.m .- News, Weather Report and Announcements. 1.10 p.m -- Orchestral Interfude. 1.15 p.m .- Plano Durtat Rawles . hru " Landquer.

2.80 p.m .- "Muoile in Music". 2.00 p.m. Close Down. 6.80 p.m.-London Branscription Ber-

vicer "Ambrose and Abne" Ame brose and His Orchestra with Anna Shelton (Vucal). Variety flequent Arogramme anranged by Lynn Prager,

8.00 p.m .- London Relay ; World News 8.10 p.m Landon Holay: Tlome News ; from Beltnin. 8.15 p.m. London Transcription Ber-Vices "Servicie to the Blane" 8.30 p.m - A Light Irish Programme

2.00 p.m - Dilly Mayer at the Plante 9.15 p.m. London Transcription vices "Beletice made the Grade" No. 17 10,00 p.m Maritime Momenta".

19.10 p.m .- This delphia flympham

Two Inter-League Lohdon, Apr. 30.

Two inter-League football matches were played in Ireland today, the Scottish League beating the Irish League by seven goals to four in Belfast, while the English League beat the League of Ireland by three goals to one in Dublin. The feature of the .. Belfast | At Aldershot, nearly 4,000

game was five goals from Fla- spectators saw the British Equaliser